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About the Cover

Yep, it's exactly what you think it is: the upcoming San Francisco Old Mint commemorative silver one dollar coin. Seems like it took forever, but hard work by a lot of dedicated folks finally paid off. Tom Fitzgerald gives us all the information on this exciting California development, along with the news of the sister five dollar gold piece, both available in proof or uncirculated strikes. Read all about it on page 22...

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NASC...

At the recent ANA 115th Anniversary Convention in Denver, Colorado, *The California Numismatist*, edited by Greg Burns, won first place in the Outstanding Regional Numismatic Publication category. Congratulations are in order for Greg for doing such a great job. If he were a coin, he would get a grade in the area of MS-69 to MS-70 from your NASC president. I am sure there will be more information elsewhere in this issue of TCN. At the ANA



several NASC members were seen, including Phil Iversen, Walter Ostromecki, Kay Lenker, G. Lee and Joyce Kuntz, Dr. Sol Taylor, Roy Iwata and others.

Did you attend the Golden State Coin Show in Arcadia on either August 26th or the 27th? If you did, then you know it was a great show. The bourse room was filled to the walls with dealers! In fact, the show was sold out by August 1, 2006. We had a waiting list! After fine-tuning the bourse layout, we were able to squeeze in one more 8-foot table. One of our dealers, Glenn Shinke, could not attend due to a sudden eye problem a day before. His corner table group was quickly sold to Leo Costanza, who was on the waiting list for a corner. On Friday, August 25, GSCS setup day, we received a call from a dealer who was sick and could not make it. His table was quickly sold. The GSCS banquet Saturday evening was about as good as one can be and then some.

In the last issue I mentioned that Phil Iversen would be speaking at the Long Beach Expo in September. By the time this issue is out, the LB Expo will be history. His topic was on the Lewis and Clark Expedition on September 16th. I have written this ahead of the event, so there is a small chance that this bit of information could be incorrect if things do not go as planned. If you want to give a program at the LB Expo at a later date, please let us know. Again, this is where three clubs, societies or associations (Long Beach Coin Club, Society for US Commemorative Coins, and Numismatic Association of Southern California) work together for a common cause. You will find us in the exhibit area at each LB Expo.

Our next NASC board meeting will be on Sunday, on either November 12th or November 19th (most likely date) at the Arcadia Masonic Center.

Gary Beedon
NASC President

CSNA...

Greetings fellow numismatists!

It was the best Golden State Coin Show I can remember! NASC and CSNA put their best feet forward and with the outstanding help of our faithful coin dealers made the show a tremendous success. We were treated to enthusiastic talks by Mike Stanley, courtesy of the US Navy and CES, and by CSNA Educational Forum Speaker Alex Shagin, medallic designer for the Native American Tribal Nations. At the San Jose convention be sure to include these lectures on your "must attend" list. You will not regret it.

Mary Beedon and Kay Lenker made sure visitor registration went smoothly. Ginny Bourke did a wonderful job as exhibits chair, and a special thanks to Michael Turrini for his work at the youth table. Many thanks to Craig Roubinek, Gary Beedon and the entire GSCS committee for their excellent planning, preparations, and work during the show!

The dealers supper, a nice touch by Joyce Kuntz and the GSCS committee, and the splendid banquet arranged by Joyce at Coco's on Saturday night added even more sparkle to the activities. CSNA members and member clubs who reached fifty years of membership were acknowledged during the banquet and G. Lee Kuntz came home with the first ever "Golden State Golden Age Golden Numismatist Award".

Jim Hunt and Michael S. Turrini inform us that the Vallejo Numismatic Society will again host the CSNA educational symposium at the Vallejo Naval and Historical Museum on October 28. The San Francisco earthquake of 1906 and its monumental effects on California and the world will be the theme of the symposium. Exciting visuals and artifacts will be on display. Make sure you attend.

At this time may I congratulate *The California Numismatist* and its editor, Greg Burns, for the publication earning first place in the Outstanding Regional Numismatic Publication Contest for 2006, presented by the American Numismatic Association at their recent World's Fair of Money in Denver...Greg: perhaps this would be a good time to mention "casual Fridays" for the staff?

See you at a California numismatic event soon!



Lila Anderson
CSNA President

Editor's Page

Just wanted to let everyone know that we were thrilled to again have our TCN recognized with the first-place ANA Outstanding Regional Club Publication Award. We were recently notified by Marilyn Reback, senior editor for the ANA's *Numismatist* magazine, of the honor, and our own Gary Beedon, president of NASC and board member of CSNA, was on hand at the ANA Representative Program Breakfast at the Denver ANA convention to be presented with the award. Please assist me in thanking all of the authors and contributors to our publication for their efforts leading to this result—it wouldn't have happened without them.

The winter months are coming, and even here in Southern California the weather will direct us to shift our attention from outdoor distractions to the indoor variety. I'll be riding my bicycle less, which means I'll be more prone to sticking my nose into things numismatic. See, even cloudy skies have a benefit. And I'm sure after this summer's record heat you'll be ready for a cool break, too. Just the perfect reason to rededicate yourself to your coin hobby. Maybe now's the time to develop that idea for an exhibit you keep stalling on. Go on. Get busy.

The Golden State Coin Show is past and CSNA's San Jose convention is still a few months away, but I hope you've made plans to attend the Northern Educational Symposium. I'll be going up there. See the info in this issue and mark your calendars. I expect to see you there. (*Psst, but if you don't get a chance to go, don't worry; I'll have a write-up all about it in the next issue.*)

Got a fat issue for you this go-around (or perhaps *phat* as the kids would say). Last issue I was kind of looking for extra material, and this time I'm not sure I'll be able to squeeze it all in. I may have to snip something and hold it till next quarter. Probably a sign that everyone's typed-out now and the submissions will drop off. Hey, if you're not going to work on that exhibit you're supposed to be busy on perhaps you can write something up for our next issue.



Greg Burns
Editor

CSNA President Lila Anderson and NASC President Gary Beedon at the Denver ANA convention just after Gary was presented the ANA's First Place Award for Outstanding Regional Numismatic Publication for our little journal, The California Numismatist.



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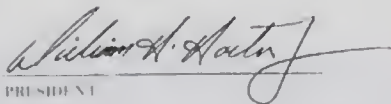
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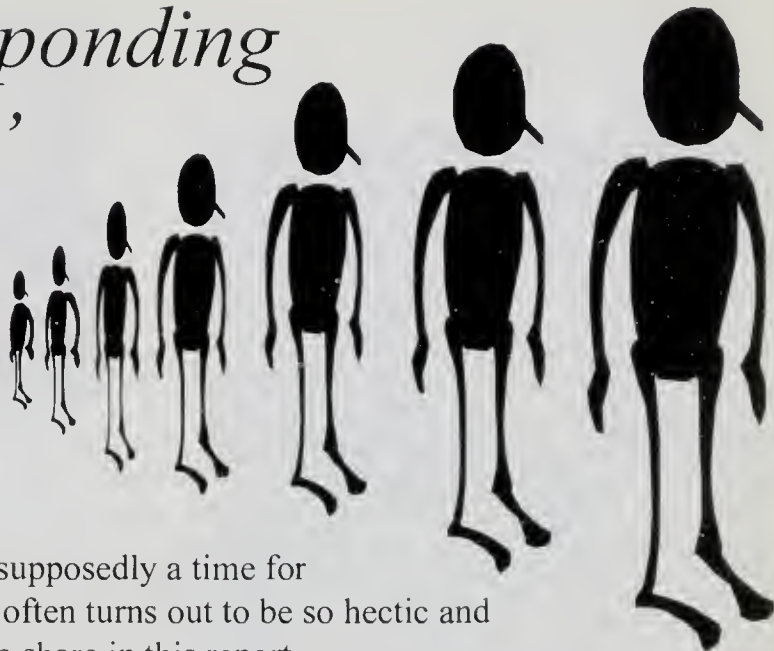
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The Corresponding Secretaries' Reports



CSNA—

by Dennis Halladay

Whew!

How is it that summer, supposedly a time for relaxing and taking it easy, often turns out to be so hectic and exhausting? There is a *lot* to share in this report.

The dues renewal process has once again come to a too-long end, with the net result that, sadly, 22 members declined to renew their membership and have been dropped from the roster. This is one more than was dropped in 2005, but six less than in 2004.

On the other hand, we also have one new life member, five new regular members, and a new junior member to welcome, and CSNA President Lila Anderson has upgraded to life member status. Welcome and congratulations to one and all!

Time is once again fast approaching to vote for a new slate of CSNA officers. Watch for your ballot in the mail and please return it promptly.

NASC—

by Harold Katzman

The membership report as of August 24, 2006 stands as shown in the summary. We had two members send in renewals: George Callow and Henri Heller. For Mr. Heller his three year renewal will give him 50 years of membership next year.

As a new inducement for clubs to promote the association with their members, any club sending in three new memberships to Harold (until the next GSCS in 2007) will receive a free NASC silver round.

NASC Summary as of 9/24/06

Regular members	97
Sustaining members	174
Life members	15
Club members	25
Total membership.....	311

CSNA Lost Contact (need new address)

Douglas J. Fritz, R-5352
previously in San Diego, CA
Rik Prentiss, R-5792
previously in Citrus Heights, CA

CSNA New Address

Harold Hill, R-2545
Now in Pahrump, NV

CSNA Upgraded to Life Membership

Lila Anderson, L-60-05
Grover Beach, CA

CSNA New Life Member

Roy Stevens, L-60-06 (PI)
Lemoore, CA

CSNA New Regular Members

Richard Thatcher, R-6114 (JK)
San Gabriel, CA
Jack Reeves, R-6115 (JK)
Alta Loma, CA
Janet Reeves, R-6116 (JK)
Alta Loma, CA
Laurene Barrie, R-6117 (WS)
Manhattan Beach, CA
David Tulanian, R-6118 (NS)
Los Angeles, CA

CSNA New Junior Member

Timothy Jeng, J-6119 (WS)
Rancho Cucamonga, CA

Key to CSNA New Member Sponsors

JK = Joyce Kuntz
PI = Phil Iverson
WS = website
NS = no sponsor

CSNA Reinstated After Payment of Dues

Ellen Hunt, A-4913
Chula Vista, CA

CSNA Members Deceased

Harold Donald, L-10-12
Tarzana, CA

Arthur Kagin, L-01-38
Des Moines, IA
Charles G. Kappen, R-4069
Los Gatos, CA
Harvey Rose, L-14-01
Henderson, NV

CSNA Dropped for Non-payment of Dues

Joel Elder, R-5895
Cameron Kiefer, R-5869
Sam Tubis, R-6041
Milorad Skoric, R-6058
Bill Green, R-6045
Geoffrey Hunter, R-5641
Bill Morgan, R-5100
Oded Paz, R-6031
William Gaskill, R-5923
Darrell Crane, R-5926
Mike Archer, R-6053
Rex Salmon, R-6010
Richard Carr, R-6050
C.W. Roders, R-5962
Tracy Duncan, R-6048
Clyde Childress, R-5631
Randolph McCollum, R-1578
Brett Bortel, J-6039
Society for Int'l Numismatics, C-1126
Plunkett Coin Co., R-5908
Full Step Nickel Club, C-5927

CSNA Summary:

Membership on May 16, 2006	550
New Life member	1
New Regular members.....	5
New Junior member	1
Reinstated after payment of dues.....	1
Deceased	-4
Moved (need new address)	-2
Dropped for non-payment of dues	-21
Adjustment to previous total.....	-1
Membership on Sept. 15, 2006	530

Dear Members—Please Note!

If you've moved, please help us keep our addresses up to date. Take a moment to drop us a short note to ensure that you keep getting your copy of *The California Numismatist*:

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“You Will” by Michael S. Turrini



This article is an address Michael Turrini delivered in Canada during the Canadian Numismatic Association's 2006 Club Delegate Breakfast.—Ed.

Today, this morning, here in Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada, I am going to share a story, a rumbling of a recollection, which, hopefully, recalls and invokes the importance of these great virtues in life and living: confidence, commitment, determination, and dedication, virtues that are important and imperative in our hobby, the ‘world of money’, as well as in our daily trials. Moreover, my message—this musing to fill in the time while the stomach digests—speaks of mentors. While I talk, please remember your mentor and his or her lessons. They may again speak to you today.

My story begins some three decades ago, back in those halcyon days of my youth, when I weighed less, looked better, could actually run a mile, and party to dawn. I had joined the Vallejo (California) Numismatic Society, and that was in August 1972. For those of you who heard my “Handshake” last July 2005 in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, you might

believe this story is a continuation. Well, it is, and it is not.

Within a few months of joining, I noticed that an old gentleman, always present and always still dressed as a gentleman, was highly respected and always welcomed. He was obviously someone who knew everyone, whose opinion was sought, and whose counsel was appreciated. He was William Frealin ‘Bill’ Cummings.

One meeting, I do not recall the date, but it must have been in 1973, I brought my cheap Walking Liberty half dollars, in the better blue Whitman album, to the meeting and was hoping that Mr. Cummings would be present and would look at a particular half dollar with an error.

He was, and he gladly examined the half dollar, explained the error—it was a lamination—and said a few cursory comments about my set, wishing me well. This was the start of a friendship that would last until Bill would pass away.

Almost immediately, he and I hit it off. We became good friends, and he even met my parents and spoke fondly of them and about me to them. I began to buy regularly from him, paying on a handshake or with a scribbled IOU. I visited his house like it was my second home. On Friday evenings, after Bill and his wife, Addie, had installed cable television, I would walk over. He and I would set on his couch, watch a movie, and Addie would make popcorn for us.

Bill and I were not the same, and by any measure, we should have not hit it off. I was in my 20s, fresh from higher education, already a card-carrying republican. Bill was in his 70s, never finished formal education, a life-long card-carrying union democrat. My career was in education, and his had been as a steam locomotive fireman and engineer. His jokes were old and never required profanity, and mine, well, were sick and profane. Yet, we shared a passion for coins, and even stamps. That was our bond. That was our love.

For a time, there was not a week that I would not swing by, not to buy or do some business, but just to talk, and no long conversations and late-night graduate student discourse, just some simple talk, a few remembrances or an old story.

It would be him and me, on the couch, viewing a baseball game or one of the seven television shop operas that he religiously watched, with his parakeet to join us. And that parakeet could be another story too, particularly with Bill's false teeth.

It was some day, long forgotten to the actual date, maybe in 1978 or 1979 that I had stopped by as usual and

we were talking. It was one of those conversations that mentors have, and you never realize the lesson until it is learned.

I remarked that for whatever reason there would never be a chance for me to "own the things that you have, Bill. No way, not enough money or opportunity." I rambled about how he had built collections from circulation or those great finds that he had purchased as a coin and stamp dealer, and other nonsense, you might say.

There was a slight pause and then Bill, with a small smile and surety in his quiet voice, simply retorted, "You will." Pausing again, "You will."

Nothing more. That was it. No explanations. Just, "You will."

It was another typical Saturday for me: assorted chores and errands, yard work, check the mail at post office boxes, and what always has been my Saturday's. Yet, on this particular Saturday, September 12, 1980, a voice came to me, as one to soldiers in battle, sailors at sea, and mothers with children, it said "Go visit your friend Bill; now, not later in afternoon."

You see Bill was in Kaiser, the local California-based health maintenance organization hospital, again, and over the past year or so, he had been in and out of Kaiser and his health was declining, although due to my youth and hope, I did not realize it.

There he was, setting-up in the hospital bed with his famous banana milkshake. We talked, but our conversation seemed strained. He was waiting, and waiting for Addie. I joked with him and talked coins, but his mind was elsewhere. After a few minutes, Addie arrived, and I said my good-byes.

The telephone rang that evening. It was Addie, and she just wanted me to know that twenty minutes after I had left, Bill had passed away.

My mentor and friend was gone. To this day, his death should never have been, if you understand my point. But, it was.

It was Sunday, April 28, 1985, and it was the Vallejo Coin Show at Dan Foley Cultural Center, where, if the show slowed, the view would be of the newly opened amusement park, MarineWorld/Africa USA, across Lake Cabot.

It was typical Vallejo Coin Show for me: always something to do, always something to do, and always on the go, and always on the go.

Yet, having resolved to spend some money, in mid-afternoon, at last, I paused and was dealing with Frederick R. Long and buying, and this is not joke, Newfoundland half dollars. Boy, was I crazy about those “Newfie” halves, and I had saved my money to buy whatever he had.

Frederick R. Long was an established coin dealer throughout California, and his specialty was Canadian. His cases would be filled with the cents, five cents, on through to the dollars. He was expensive, but he had the stuff and knew Canadian numismatics.

Whatever, the show had progressed, and I had spent my few hundred of dollars, wiping out my “show money”, when he said—and we have all heard a remark like this—“Michael, let me show you something else”—coupled with the words we have all heard too—“I can make you a deal on this coin.”

Impatient, exhausted, and angered, standing at his cases, ready to leave

for my show duties, I replied with a curt, “What?”

He turned and from a red cardboard coin flip box handed me the coin, saying, “Michael, I can do you well with this coin.”

Taking the coin, it was immediate: “My god, oh my god, this is it! This is it! This is it! This is the dollar! Oh my god”.

He had handed me a pristine 1948 Canadian dollar, the key to Canadian dollars.

As I kept rambling, in an ever-louder voice which now attracted attention, he mentioned about its grade, the hairlines on King George VI, and how in Canada it could be a higher price.

I was not paying any attention. I was holding the key to Canadian dollars.

All that I really heard was the price: “\$800.00.”

My response was an ever increasing volume of ramble and rumble about how I could not afford it, would not pay by check, where could I get this amount of cash, he would not trust me to owe him, which he would, and so on.

His response, calmly and confidently, was that the coin and price were an opportunity.

Al Renn—our society’s biker coin hobbyist, with tattoos, false eye with “69”, and leather—just walked by, having heard my commotion, and kindly confirmed it was an opportunity.

But what was I to do? Setting the 1948 dollar back on his cases, I looked out toward entrance, and a voice came to me, as one with soldiers in battle, sailors at sea, and mothers with



children, I turned and walked about ten feet straight through the show traffic and between two bourse tables across from Frederick R. Long's table to Reuben Lee "Lucky" Williams, whose life would be a story too, and said, "Lucky, I need \$800.00 and can get you the cash by Tuesday." Without asking a question or for my IOU or even a handshake, Lucky opened his famous purse—he carried a small purse or bag rather than have cash in his wallet—and counted-out eight one-hundred dollar bills.

I now owned the key to Canadian dollars. It was immediate news on the show's floor. I had arrived, and over the next few years, thanks to Frederick R. Long, would complete my Canadian dollars.

Yes, Lucky was repaid, and yes, I still have the 1948 Canadian dollar safe and secure in my safe deposit box.

Sometime later, not sure when, but whenever a lesson is finally learned, a voice, as one with soldiers in battle, sailors at sea, and mothers with children, tapped me on my shoulder and said, with a small smile and surety, "You will."

Yes, Bill was right with his "You will," for I did.

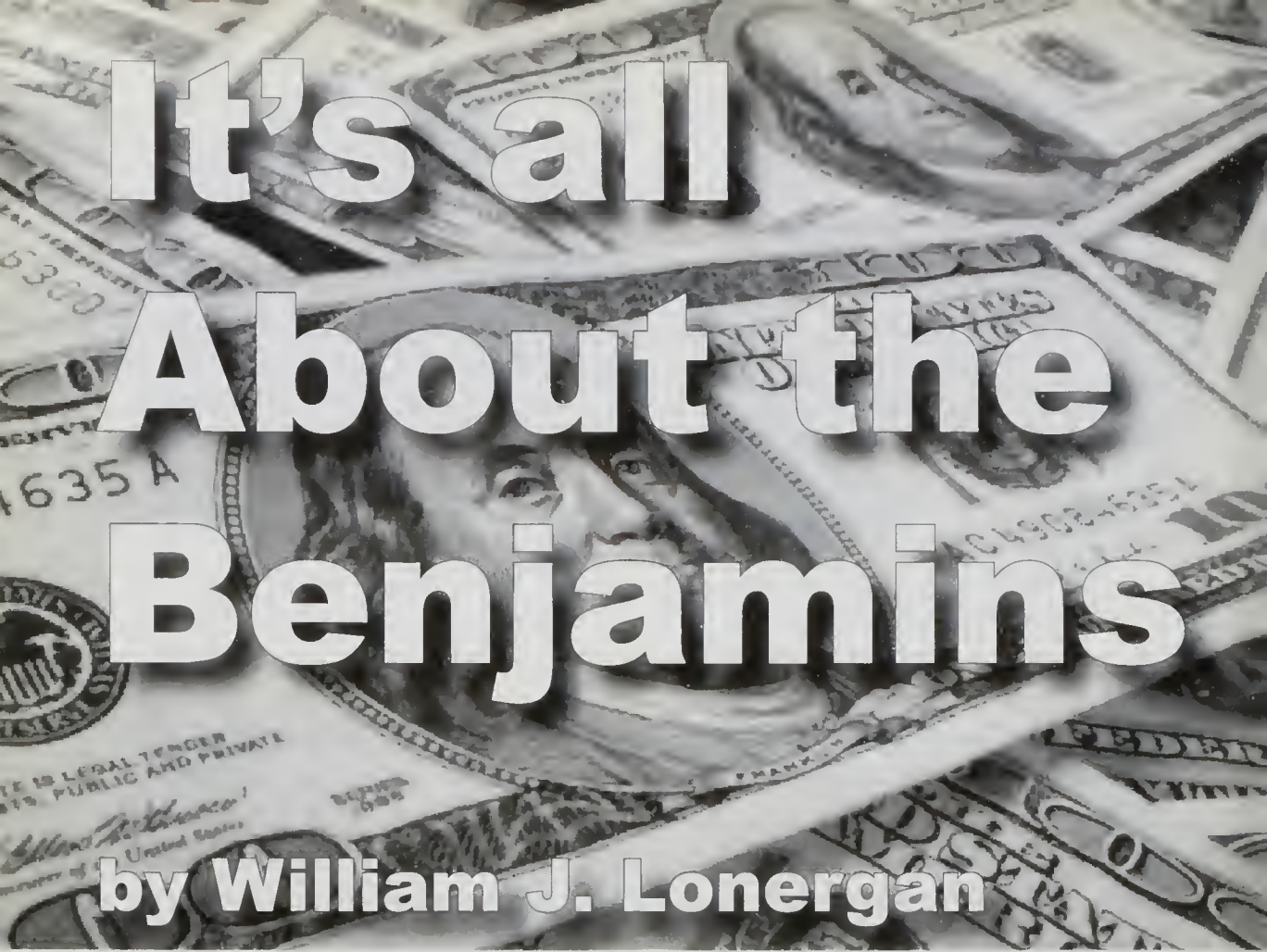
From the 1948 dollar, it would be two 1909-S VDB Lincoln cents, silver and bronze Carnegie medals, devil in the hair consecutive serial numbered one dollar notes, two Yap stones, and so on. Yes, Bill was right with his "You will," for I did.

Yes, we are not talking about the real rarities on front pages of *Numismatic News* or *Canadian Coin News*. Yes, there are many 1948 dollars, in all grades and prices, here at this convention. Yes, anybody with money or opportunity could have the same. But.

My friends, it was his words "You will" that are my story's point. Those words instilled, not at first thought, but with time, those virtues of confidence, commitment, determination, and dedication. Those words, that simple sentence, brought me to this very day here with you.

Closing, said by an old man, long deceased from a forgotten afternoon, those words were challenge and hope. Those words are what mentors—us here—are to instill and to inspire.

Bill, just to let you know: I did. Thanks.



It's all About the Benjamins

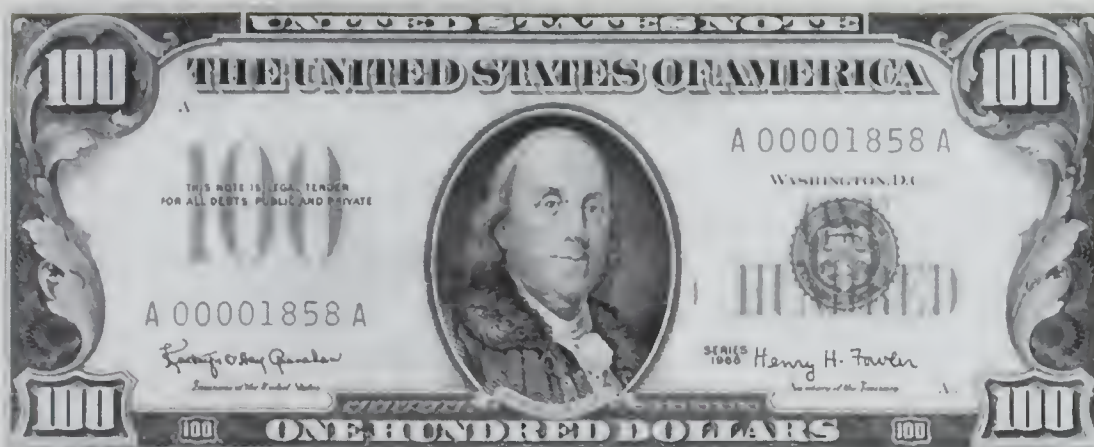
by William J. Lonergan

The introduction of the colorful new series “nexGen” Federal Reserve \$100 Notes will focus public and collector attention on these exciting bills. As the largest denomination in circulation, the hundred is often the subject of speculation and lore: from tales of vast quantities overseas in Swiss vaults, Arab sheik’s palaces, and Japanese industrialist’s safes to equally massive mounds of these bills in Columbian drug lords’ compounds. After all, the hundred is the Hollywood equivalent of a motion picture “star,” suitcases full of them pay ransoms, initiate drug buys, and pay off crooked politicians.

I first became interested in the various designs of the hundred dollar bill in the summer of 1996. That was when the treasury was destroying the stock of United States Notes of that denomi-

nation. I realized that I had never even seen one of those notes anywhere except at a numismatic show. I quickly looked around to try to find one of them and found a great paper money dealer. I purchased one of those notes from her and soon was looking over the catalogs at other hundred dollar types. It quickly came to me that there were only about a dozen different types of notes so I decided that a type collection would be a rather interesting display for a coin show. Now there are 13 major types of the small size hundred dollar notes not counting the various changes of signature combinations. Several different types are readily available from circulation.

- The first major type is the United States Note with red seal and serial numbers, a left-over from the Civil War.



- The next type is the Gold Certificate of 1928. This note has a yellow seal and serial numbers.
- The third type is the National Currency, which have two major varieties. T-1 has the Bank Charter Number in two locations on the face, both in black. T-2 has the charter number in four locations, two in black and two in brown located on the face of these notes.
- The fourth type is the Federal Reserve Bank Notes. This was an emergency issue to provide currency after the gold recall order of 1934.
- The balance of the types are made up of the various changes in the evolution of the Federal Reserve Notes from the original issue in 1928 until the most recent change this year.

There are no major rarities of types, but the T-2 National Currency note is relatively scarce because of the short time they were issued before the National Currency program was halted.

Gold notes of this denomination are scarce also, probably because \$100 was too much for most folks to hold back from the gold surrender order and find that it might have been

declared worthless.

All types have a similar reverse theme showing Independence Hall in Philadelphia, PA. The reverse designs evolved over time, but not to the extent the faces changed.

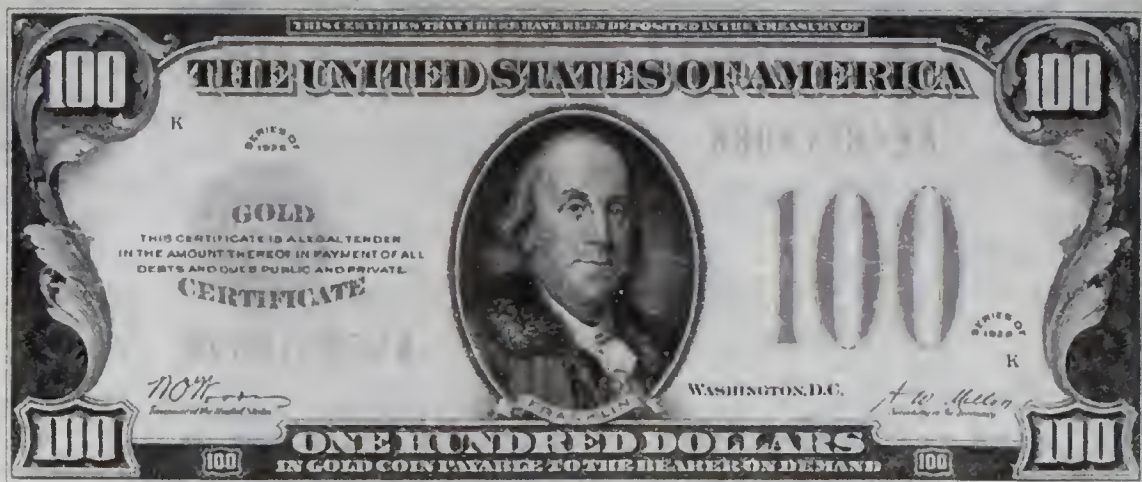
I believe that a display of all 13 notes as discussed here would make a rather eye popping display. It would most certainly cause most folks to stop and stare just because of having thirteen hundred dollars cash on display!

United States Note

The first thing that you will note when looking at this note is the red seal on the right side and the red serial numbers. This was the only time that the red seal was used on the small size currency. Otherwise this note is similar to the other issues of the time. It also uses the same back design. As I stated previously the destruction of these notes by the government will create interest in this type note and I believe that in time it will prove to be the key to assembling the \$100 small size type set.

Gold Certificate

The Gold Certificate was only issued in the series of 1928 for small size notes. The issue was small in



number as \$100 was a considerable amount in the years prior to the Great Depression. A clean note in the VF or better range will only cost about \$250 or so and be a nice example for display. Try to find one that is relatively clean and bright. Some searching may be required to find just the right note. Finding a good dealer who will work with you to locate these notes will be of invaluable assistance.

One thing to consider is that some very nice notes can be found that are clean and bright but have a crease or two in them. These would make a fine display where the creases are not too distracting.

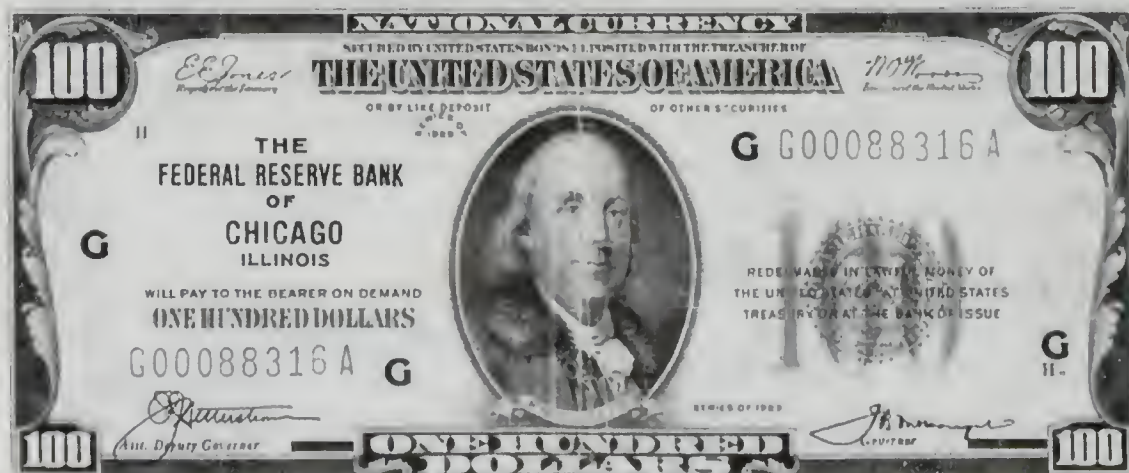
Federal Reserve Bank Notes

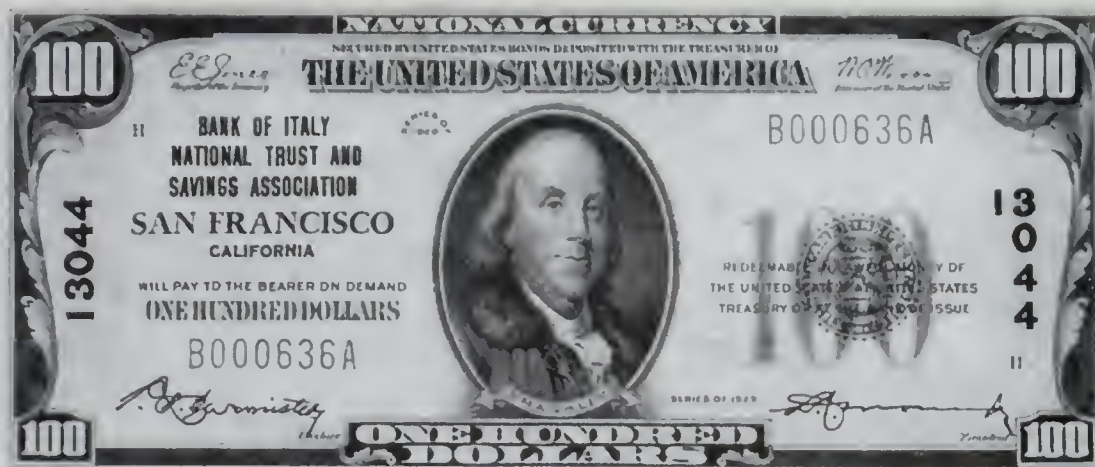
This type of bank note is really a response to the emergency of the

Great Depression. They were authorized March 9, 1933, to place additional cash into circulation to combat withdrawals from the Federal Reserve System. These notes were printed with modified National Currency stock on hand. They had brown serial numbers and seals as found on the issues of National Currency with the same series date, and at first glance this note could be confused with the National. The Federal Reserve Bank Notes were only issued in series 1929 by seven of the Federal Reserve Banks: New York, Cleveland, Richmond, Chicago, Minneapolis, Kansas City, and Dallas.

National Currency, Type-1

The first type of small sized National Bank Note was issued in July, 1929. These are distinguished by hav-





ing their charter number printed twice in black on their faces. The serial numbers are sheet numbers with the prefix letter indexing up by one letter for each note on the sheet, A thru E. These notes were delivered in six note sheets. The serial numbers and the treasury seal are all printed in brown on all notes of this series.

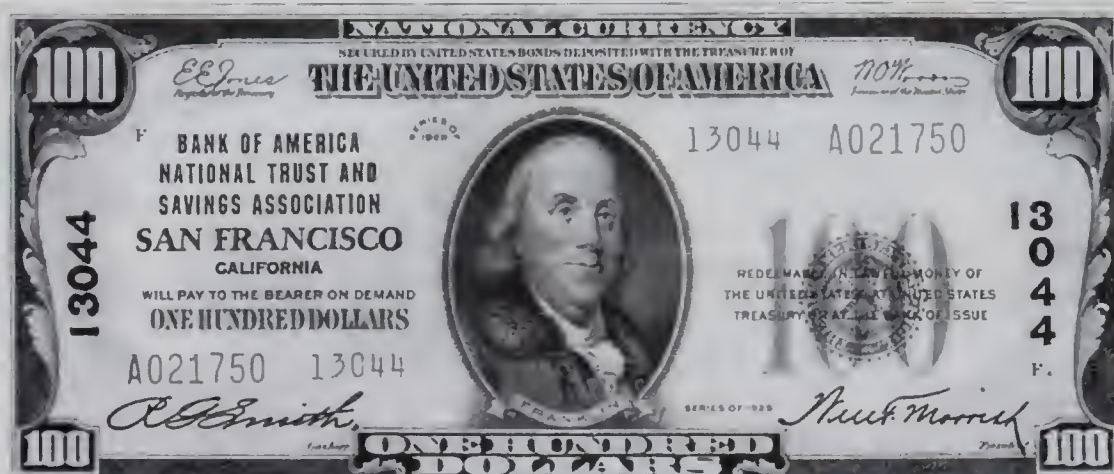
National Currency, Type-2

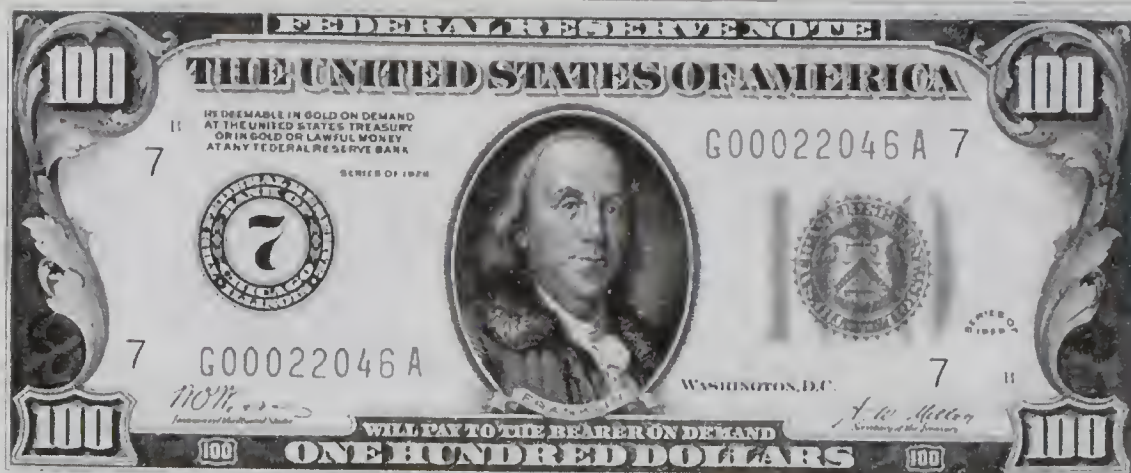
The second type National Currency was issued from 1933 to 1935. All denominations of the T-2 notes are scarcer than their T-1 cousins. The Type-2 \$100 notes are very elusive in uncirculated condition. A collector on a modest budget could and probably should settle for a bill in extra fine or nicer condition, looking for a bill with bright colors and light folds

Federal Reserve Notes (Series 1928-series 1990)

The Federal Reserve Notes make up the bulk of all small-size hundred dollar bills that have been produced since they were introduced as Series 1928. Until the anti-counterfeiting changes made for the Series of 1996 and since, all these notes looked very similar in that they all have green seals and serial numbers. A reduction in the size of the seals took place for the series of 1950 and all following series maintained these smaller seals. The obligation clause also underwent the same evolution as occurred on all of the other denominations of Federal Reserve Notes:

1928—"Redeemable in gold on demand at the United States Treasury or in gold or lawful money at any





Federal Reserve Bank.”

1934—“This note is legal tender for all debts public and private and is redeemable in lawful money at the United States Treasury or at any Federal Reserve Bank.”

1985—“This note is legal tender for all debts public and private.”

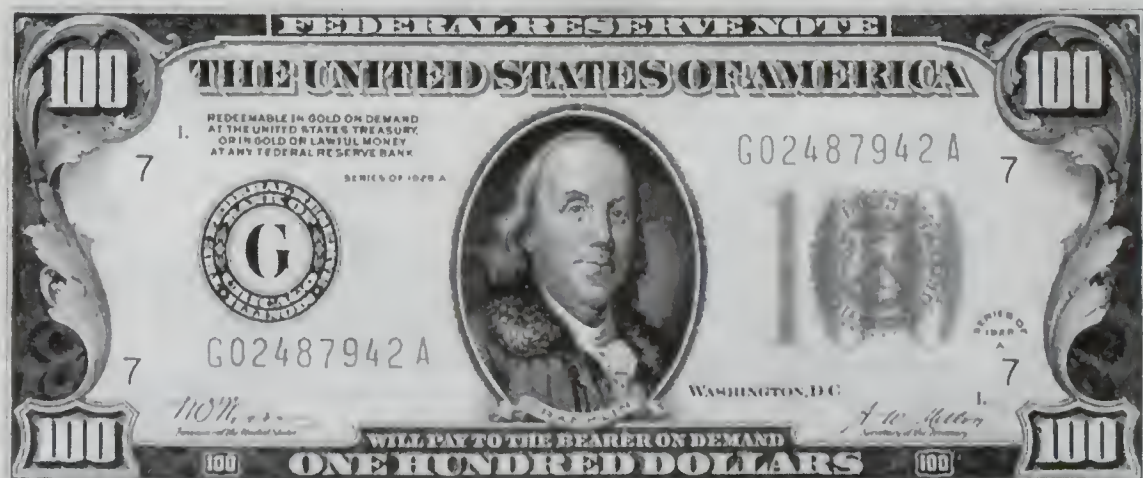
As a counterfeit deterrent, Series of 1990 notes introduced several additional security measures, including micro-printing around the portrait and the placing of a plastic ribbon with USA \$100 printed on it, buried in the paper. This printing can only be seen when the bill is held up against a back light and cannot be copied using a standard copy machine.

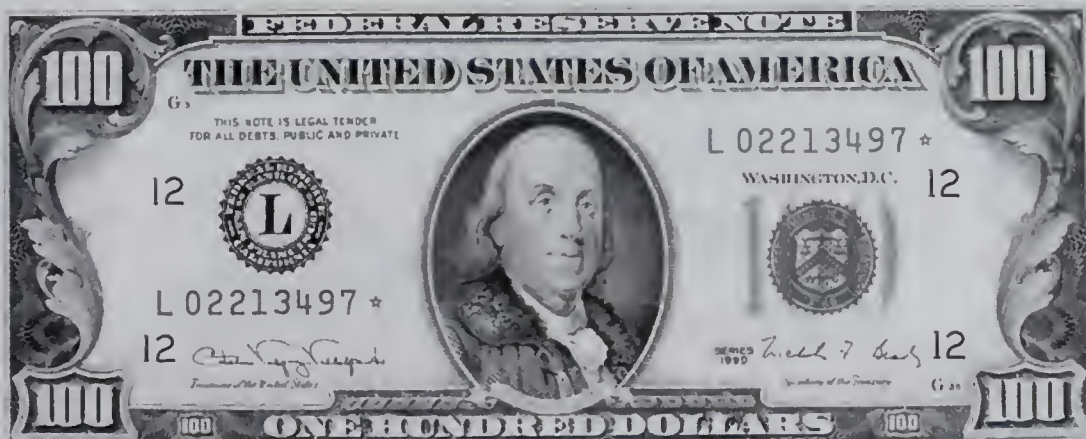
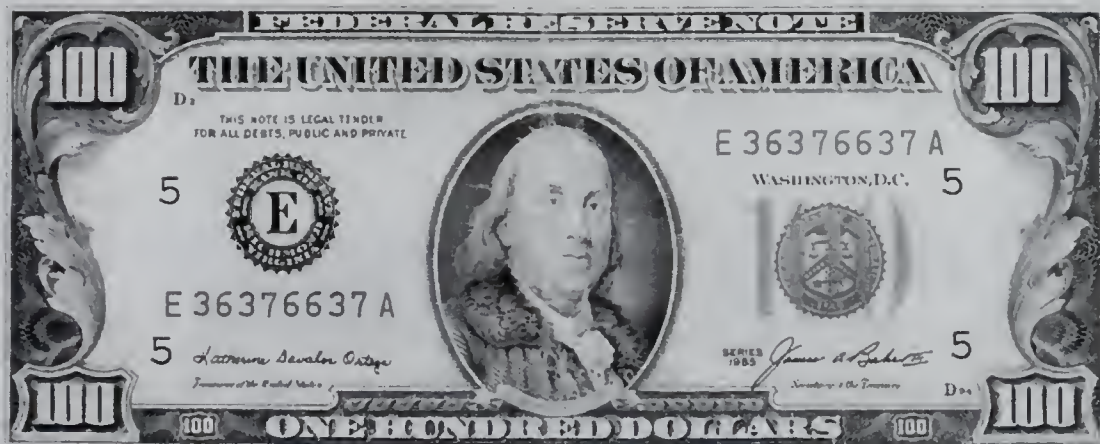
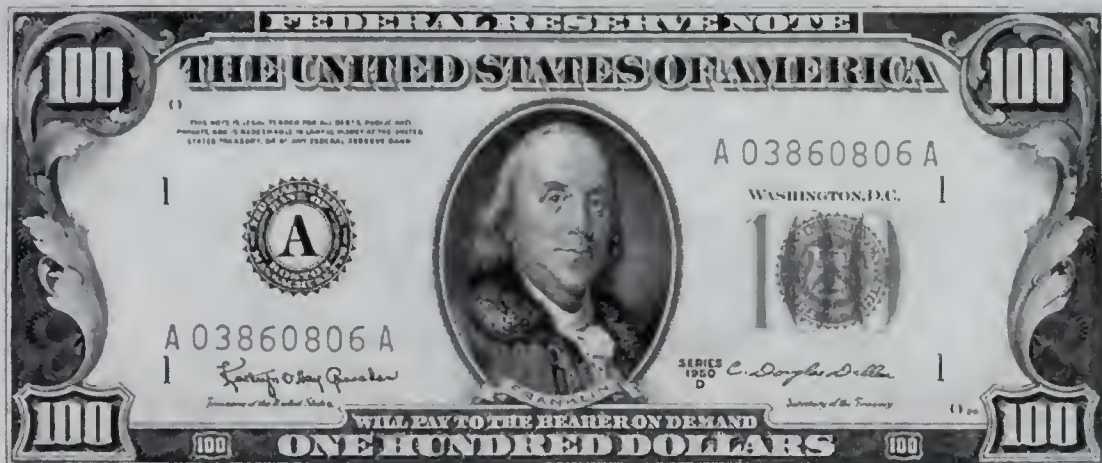
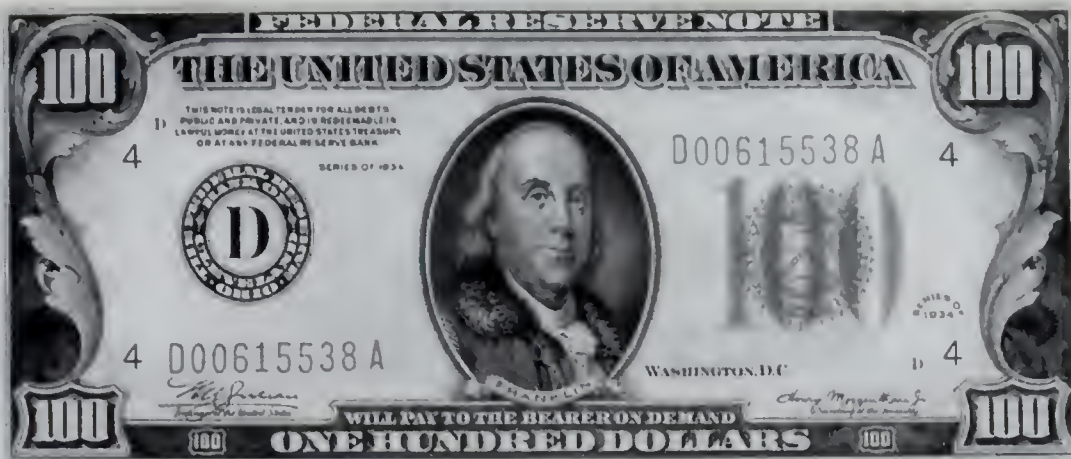
With the introduction of the Series 1996 note, the look of the \$100 FRNS changed drastically. The modified,

newly designed bill has its larger portrait offset to the left, watermark on the far right, color shifting ink, microprinting and the security ribbon which glows red when exposed to black light.

Series 1996

For a collection of small-sized hundred dollar bills I recommend assembling a total of these 13 different major types of notes. There are many signature varieties, but due to the high face value of this denomination many folks may shrink from trying to assemble all of them. But by trying to complete this type collection, I found it rather fun and not too terribly difficult or expensive. I believe that in the long run the United States Note will be the most difficult to obtain. Right





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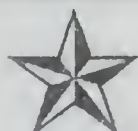
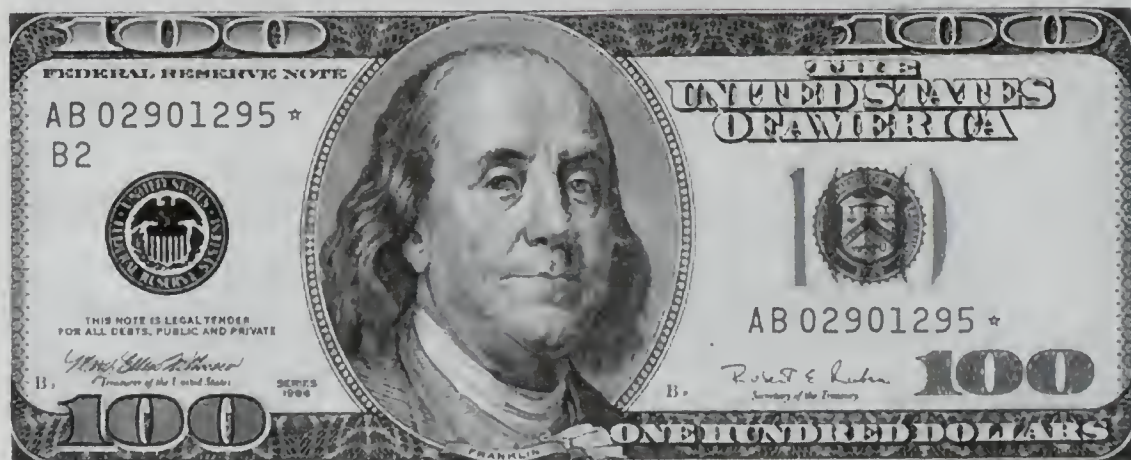
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now you can pick the latest notes out of circulation for the last few series, possibly everything from Series 1950 to the present. The other notes will have to be purchased from a dealer, but most of them are reasonably priced at around one and one-half to three times face value. Good luck in your pursuit of an exciting new area of collecting.

I put this collection together for only about double face. I included some lightly circulated notes as a cost saving measure. The dealers that I met in the pursuit of my set made the

whole project much more enjoyable.

Ed. note: Bill's article is a reprint from Paper Money (Sept/Oct 2004), originally titled "Why Not Try Assembling a \$100 Small Size Type Set?"



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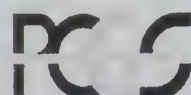


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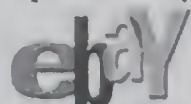


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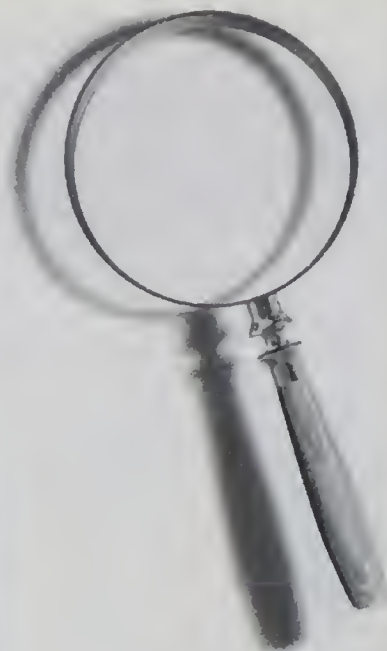
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Through the Numismatic Glass:

Commemorative Coins for the Granite Lady

by Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald



museum at the Second San Francisco Mint.

The House Minority Leader, California Representative Nancy Pelosi, and Senators Barbara Boxer and Diane Feinstein, authored the legislation.

Spearheaded by ANA Governor Dr. Don Kagin, earlier plans lacked the support of sufficient political and financial authorities to be successful. Finally, with the help of the American Numismatic Association, sufficient political backing was able to get a bill

On June 15, 2006, President George W. Bush signed Public Law 109-230 satisfactorily ending a campaign to mint commemorative coins honoring "The Granite Lady." For many years, the CSNA, NASC and local coin clubs throughout California had been involved in a letter-writing campaign to raise funds for the establishment of a substantial numismatic

through both houses of Congress and signed into law by the President.

The San Francisco Historical Society received the authority to proceed with the project; the proposed museum in the renovated "Old Mint" will honor the San Francisco Mint, the Gold Rush and America's rich coinage history.



Above: the top images show the design to be used for the \$5 gold piece, and the bottom the silver \$1 coin (both available in proof or uncirculated.) All coins will bear the distinctive "S" mint mark.

Facing page: a publicity postcard mailed by the US Mint.

From Missions and Villages to the Gold Rush

Shortly after the 19th Century began, the Lewis and Clark "Corps of Discovery" made their way to the Pacific Ocean near present day Portland, Oregon. President Jefferson was seeking a river passage from the Missouri River to the Pacific Ocean.

Meanwhile, beginning in San Diego, (Alta California, as the Spanish named it), settlements were founded

by Franciscan Monks accompanied by Spanish soldiers. From the north, Russian fur traders arrived; a reminder even today is the name, Russian River. Some 40 years after the journey of the Lewis and Clark expedition, the population of California was only about 15,000. However, things were about to change dramatically, and this change was achieved in only about three years.

Gold! Gold!

The Discovery of Gold!

In 1848 gold was discovered near Sacramento. Barely two years later, when California became the 31st State of the union, the population had ballooned to almost 100,000. This spectacular growth was unplanned and many vital needs for the settlers were lacking. One of these “needs” was for adequate financial institutions. Small transactions could usually be completed by a type of “barter system,” while larger transactions were settled with “gold dust.” Circulating coinage at this time included Mexican, French, Dutch and English coinage. Adding to this was coinage struck by some 20 private mints. One can understand the chaos that met the miners when they brought their gold nuggets to the boomtown of San Francisco. Some type of organization had to replace this financial chaos and the Federal Government was the only authority that could bring this about.

A United States Mint is Established in San Francisco

In 1852, Congress provided \$300,000 to establish a United State’s Mint in the City of San Francisco. A building was purchased in the city from the private minting firm of Mofat and Company. This first U.S. Mint in San Francisco began operations on April 3, 1854.

When the discovery of vast amounts of silver from Nevada’s Comstock Lode in 1859 was added to the gold, the demands upon the small mint soon outgrew its capacity to handle the volume of business. The federal government decided to replace



James W. Marshall discovered gold in Coloma, California in 1848 at the site of a saw-mill being constructed for John Sutter (pictured above.)

the first San Francisco Mint with a new one. A location was chosen just South of Market St., at the corner of Fifth and Mission that was completely surrounded by wooden homes and buildings.

“The Granite Lady” – The 2nd San Francisco Mint!

Alfred B. Mullett was born in England in 1834. His family immigrated to Glendale, Ohio in 1845 and a couple of years later he began work in an architectural firm in Cincinnati, Ohio. In 1863 Mullett moved to Washington, D.C. and began work for the Treasury Department. By 1866 he had advanced to the position of “Supervising Architect.” During his eight years in this position, he oversaw the design and construction of over 40 federal buildings across America. These included the Mint at Carson City, the Mint at San Francisco, and

in Washington, the State, War and Navy Buildings (now the Old Executive Office Building). The design of the Mint in San Francisco was in the Classical Revival architecture (like a Greek temple) and can be considered to be the last of this style utilized by the government.

In April 1869 construction was begun. The building was planned to withstand any disaster. The basement's outer walls consisted of blocks of granite. The stairs, also utilizing granite, rose from the street to the stately portico with fluted sandstone columns, giving birth to the name, "The Granite Lady."

"The fire department will have little trouble quenching any conflagration that may arise within its walls, and unless an earthquake gives it a subterranean quietus, it bids fair to stand up for centuries." "The San Francisco Call" made this prediction in 1874 when the new mint first opened. No one could have predicted the events of April 18, 1906!

At 5:12 a. m. the earth began to shake. Joe Hammill, one of the workers within the mint, recalled being suddenly "thrown in every direction." The thick walls and sturdy foundation of "The Granite Lady" withstood the attack with little or no damage. The devastating fire that destroyed all of the wooden structures around the mint soon followed the quake. Unfortunately, the trembling had ruptured gas lines and San Francisco's water mains were damaged. Thankfully, because of its sturdy construction, the mint withstood the quake. It was able to fight the fire for it also contained a source of water, a well, within its walls.

Mint Superintendent Frank Leach

was able to get to the mint with a number of workers to lead the battle to save "The Granite Lady." Because of the heroic efforts of these dedicated folks, the facility was able to play a dramatic role in the recovery of the City from this conflagration.

However, the passage of time was able to achieve what the earthquake and fire failed to do. The financial needs of the western United States made the second mint obsolete. By 1934 the cramped quarters and the repairs needed for the 60 year old building convinced the Treasury Department that the costs of repairs and expansion was not feasible. Instead, it was decided to build a new, larger, modern facility to meet the needs of the west coast. In 1934, a new site was chosen in San Francisco and in 1935 construction commenced. The transfer from the 2nd San Francisco Mint to the new 3rd mint took place in 1937.

Following the transfer of minting equipment, "The Granite Lady" served as a government office building until it was vacated in 1968. In 1972 Mint Director Mary Brooks became interested in its future use and preservation of this historic building that played such a role in the history of California, the gold rush and the development of the west. Through her efforts, the abandoned facility was transferred from the General Services Administration to the Treasury Department and the Bureau of the Mint for restoration.

In June 1973, the restored facility was reopened to the public. On the 1st floor visitors were able to view a coin press and see how coins were struck. The first floor also contained a replica of the mint director's office, displays of gold and other numismatic items

and a sales office where one could purchase proof sets, etc.

On January 28, 1977 the building was declared a “State Historical Landmark” protecting it from demolition.

However, it was decided to close the mint building on December 30, 1993. The cost of the security necessary for this building with its display of gold, etc., the need for some costly repairs and the small amount of income generated by the “gift shop,” could not justify these expenses. Although there were many people who believed the facility should remain open and they vowed to solve the problems. California senators Boxer and Feinstein only managed to get a 90-day reprieve. It was finally closed on December 30, 1994.

In 2003, the federal government sold “The Granite Lady” to the City of San Francisco for one dollar—a silver dollar struck at this mint in 1879. In turn, the City transferred ownership to the San Francisco Museum and Historical Society for restoration and to be reopened with appropriate museums, including a numismatic museum.

U.S. Commemorative Coins to Support The “Granite Lady”

With the President’s signature on June 15, 2006, the long campaign, to authorize commemorative coinage to help finance a numismatic museum as part of the restoration plans for the Second San Francisco Mint, came to a successful end. The striking and sales of the silver dollars and five-dollar gold pieces would raise the funds. The coins would carry appropriate designs honoring “The Granite Lady.” It was expected that the coins would bear im-

ages honoring the importance of this facility to the history of California and the importance of this facility in the recovery of San Francisco following the 1906 earthquake.

The bill, mandating that surcharges would be paid for the purposes of “rehabilitating the historic mint in San Francisco,” was passed and signed into law. There was to be an “American coin and gold rush” museum in part of the structure. The legislation called for a \$10 surcharge on up to 500,000 silver dollars and a \$35 surcharge on up to 100,000 \$5 gold coins. If there was a sellout, \$8.5 million would be given to assist the restoration costs. It was pointed out that matching funds or more, would be needed from private, local, state and other sources to complete the project.

In fact, the legislation requires compliance with title 31 of the U.S. Code, section 5134 (f), which mandates that the organization “raise funds from private sources for such project—equal to or greater than the maximum amount the organization may receive from the proceeds.”

Almost immediately after the President had signed to legislation, the first of two federal advisory panels was reviewing the proposed designs that were submitted by the mint. These concepts, much to the consternation and astonishment of most, seemed to defy what everyone imagined they would be. They were reversed! The proposed obverses bore the images of the Morgan dollar and the coronet gold \$20 double eagle while the reverses showed views of the San Francisco mint. The designs were backwards!

Both the Citizens Coinage Adviso-

ry Committee (CCAC) and the Commission of Fine Arts (CFA) strongly suggested a depiction of "The Granite Lady" should be on the obverse of the coins.

Meanwhile, what happened to the San Francisco Museum and Historical Society? After all, this was the organization charged with the project of building a numismatic museum in the restored old mint. They appeared to have been left out of the design discussions. On June 19, 2006, the Society officials worked at a frantic pace to get their official design recommendations to the mint officials. The Society also was alarmed that the proposed plans appeared to be backwards regarding obverse and reverse designs. On June 21, 2006, they submitted their design ideas to the mint authorities. The officials at the mint agreed to include the recommendations of the Society in the consideration of the final designs.

By the middle of July 2006, both panels were given new versions to review. For both denominations, two proposed obverse designs (now featuring the mint) and a single reverse design were submitted. The only difference in the two versions was the border—one a plain raised rim

and the other with dentils of the style employed when the old mint was in operation.

On August 11, 2006, the mint released a statement announcing the final designs for these two coins. The design of the obverse for the \$5 gold coin by Charles Vickers will carry an image of the San Francisco Old Mint based upon the original construction drawing by supervising architect A.B. Mullett in 1869. The inscriptions on the obverse of the gold piece are: "Liberty," "1906," "San Francisco Earthquake and Centennial," "E Pluribus Unum," and "2006." The design on the reverse of the \$5 gold piece is a reproduction of the 1906 Half-Eagle Coronet Liberty eagle by Gobrecht. The inscriptions on the reverse of the gold coin are: "United States of America," "In God We Trust" and "Five D."

The obverse design of the silver dollar is the famous image of the San Francisco Old Mint, similar to the image on the San Francisco Mint medal by Sherl J. Winter. The inscriptions are: "Liberty," "1906-2006," "E Pluribus Unum," "Old Mint," "The Granite Lady," and "Instrumental in San Francisco Recovery." The design of

the reverse of the silver dollar is a reproduction of the 1904 Morgan Silver Dollar eagle reverse as done by George T. Morgan. The reverse inscriptions are: "United States of America," "In God We Trust," and "One Dollar."

All of the coins will bear the "S" mintmark of the San Francisco Mint and may be ordered between August and December 31, 2006.



Californians Dominate: Team USA at CNA Convention

by Michael Turrini

Californian coin hobbyists formed and brought "Team USA" to the recent Canadian Numismatic Association (CNA) Convention, held July 20-23, in Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada, assisting and enhancing the record-breaking CNA Convention.

Lead and coordinated by Michael Turrini, assistant editor for *The California Numismatist* and CSNA's youth numismatist coordinator, Team USA included Lee Gong, from Santa Rosa, Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr., from Encino, and Michael Stanley, a CSNA's ANA representative and a director, of Concord.

The thought of Team USA was conceived in Calgary, Alberta, Canada back in July 2005 in discussions with our Canadian coin hobbyists, who readily welcomed us to attend and to participate at their 2006 Convention.

Among the duties and chores Team USA assisted were set-up, exhibits, registration table, the CNA's table, an error table, plus, most importantly, "Coins For Kids."

Each Team USA participant was easily recognized with his dark navy-blue polo shirt labeled Team USA with the United States and Canadian flags crossed and the words "Canadian Numismatic Association."

Assisting the Californians was Jim Majoros, from Toms River, New Jersey, who was invited to join the fun and drove over from the Garden State. Mr. Majoros is well-known in the

Garden State for his dedication to the Garden State Numismatic Association and the Ocean County Coin Club.

"We wanted to have an 'Eastern' contingent to 'Team USA'," joked Mr. Turrini.

The highlight for Team USA was the Coins For Kids youth auction. Over forty youngsters and their parents crowded the Canadian Room at the Sheraton-At-The Falls Hotel, site for the CNA's Convention.

"The crowd grew requiring the Hotel to twice bring in more chairs," noted Mr. Turrini.

Michael Stanley was the auctioneer, with Michael Turrini and Jim Majoros the runners and Lee Gong and Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr. doing the clerk and recording duties.

"There were so many lots donated, and some of value, that the auction lasted nearly two hours. The kids kept enthused to the end, however," commented Mr. Stanley.

Each registered youngster was given \$40.00 in paper play money, and some had earned extra dollars doing an earlier treasure hunt. *Canadian Coin News* covered and photographed the auction, and the Canadian on-site coordinator was Fred Freeman, who is the CNA's youth coordinator.

Paul R. Johnson, who himself is a long-time CSNA member and the CNA's new executive secretary, spoke highly also of Team USA: "They made a substantial difference to the success



Jim Majoros, Lee Gong, Dan Gosling (CNA's first vice president), Michael Turrini, and Michael Stanley.

of our convention, and they were all well-received. Their presence proved that our hobby has not borders."

Team USA was applauded and given special recognition that Saturday evening during the convention's awards banquet. The recognition was spoken by Charles W. Moore, of Walnut Creek, California, who is the CNA's current president.

"It was much fun, and we had some really good laughs," added Lee Gong, who almost did not make it to the convention when his incoming flight was delayed due to a thunderstorm at Chicago's O'Hare Airport.

Arriving late on Friday, Mr. Gong solicited Mr. Turrini, and they drove via Queen Elizabeth Way, a major connecting Canadian highway, to Toronto, Ontario, Canada and its Lester Pearson International Airport to meet his also-late-arriving nephew and new

wife.

"I could not let Lee down, who had already been up twenty-four hours straight and had to convert flights and stops to reach Buffalo before crossing over into Canada," noted Mr. Turrini.

"We drove into Toronto with no real idea where to go, but luck would have it, we made it to Pearson Airport and picked-up his nephew and new wife. Equally, and luckily, they had decided to bring along a portable GPS system, and that saved us figuring how to return to Niagara Falls," he added.

Team USA has been already invited to return to the same site for July 2007's CNA convention.

Information about the CNA is available from Michael Turrini, CNA's Western United States Director, at PO Box 4104, Vallejo, California, 945909-0410 or by e-mail at EMPERORI@juno.com.

Steamer Delivers Final Letters

by Michael Turrini

“What! My last day delivering the mail on the longest route to the Antioch Post Office, and I am stuck with stacks and packs of marriage mail. What a way to treat a swabbie as me on his last working day!,” so complained Michael Stanley, well-known California coin activist, as he began his last day with the United States Postal Service (USPS) in Antioch, California, on Friday, July 28, 2006, just a day after his 62nd birthday, thereby ending his second career.

Well-known for his old Navy handle of “Steamer”, earned from his years stationed in Hawaii and bartending there, he has had two careers: twenty years with the United States Navy, 1962-1983, and now twenty-two years with the USPS, all based in Antioch, California.

I was allowed to spend a few hours with him on his last day, which endured another record heat wave, and as he cased and worked his last mail a succession of fellow letter carriers and supervisors, as well as his customers along his route, came and went, extending well-wishes and fond goodbyes.

Along with the greetings, there were notes and requests that Steamer continue to supply this letter carrier or that customer along his route with the popular United States Mint State Quarters.

“My shirt pocket is full with these reminders. Never let my customers down in my twenty-two years on the



route, and ‘ain’t’ going to forget them now,” he lamented.

Named the “Clock King”, for being always the first to clock-end, back in 2003, after years of practice and promise, he achieved a personal record—one sure to remain on the books for decades—of completing the morning delivery of his entire route and by being back in the post office at 11:54 a.m.!

“That was my goal: case and load, hit the curb and streets, and back before noon, and I did it,” he proudly remarked.

Lenny Curcuruto, Steamer’s supervisor, praised him for his dedication and intensity, paying high tribute when he said to this interviewer, “you can quote me: even with twenty-eight years with the USPS, I did learn from Steamer. He was certainly the *best*. Print that, too!”



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Spending time at 'Steamer's' case and watching his nimble fingers swing the letters, flats, magazines, and cards into the case, he seemed to be "Mighty Casey-At-The Bat", never missing a slot or address and moving the mail, it seemed, in a blur.

"Don't have time for chit-chat: got to move this mail, even if it is my last day," he shouted, even as the entire letter carrier contingent could not be stopped from coming by and wishing him well.

"Hey, it has been good. Who can claim two careers: Navy and riding out green water over the USS Enterprise's flight deck in the South China Sea and carrying mail in rain, storm, and heat here in Antioch, California, plus never being attacked or bitten by a dog," he smiled, holding back the tears.

"Add also never clawed by a cat or stung by a bee," he interjected.

During a short morning break, gathering for the last time with his fellow letter carriers in the break room, the repeated call was for one final joke, Navy story or prediction about the San Francisco Giants.

"Yeah, I once ate seventy-five hot-dogs in one sitting, and failed to eat nine plate-size pancakes, and the latter

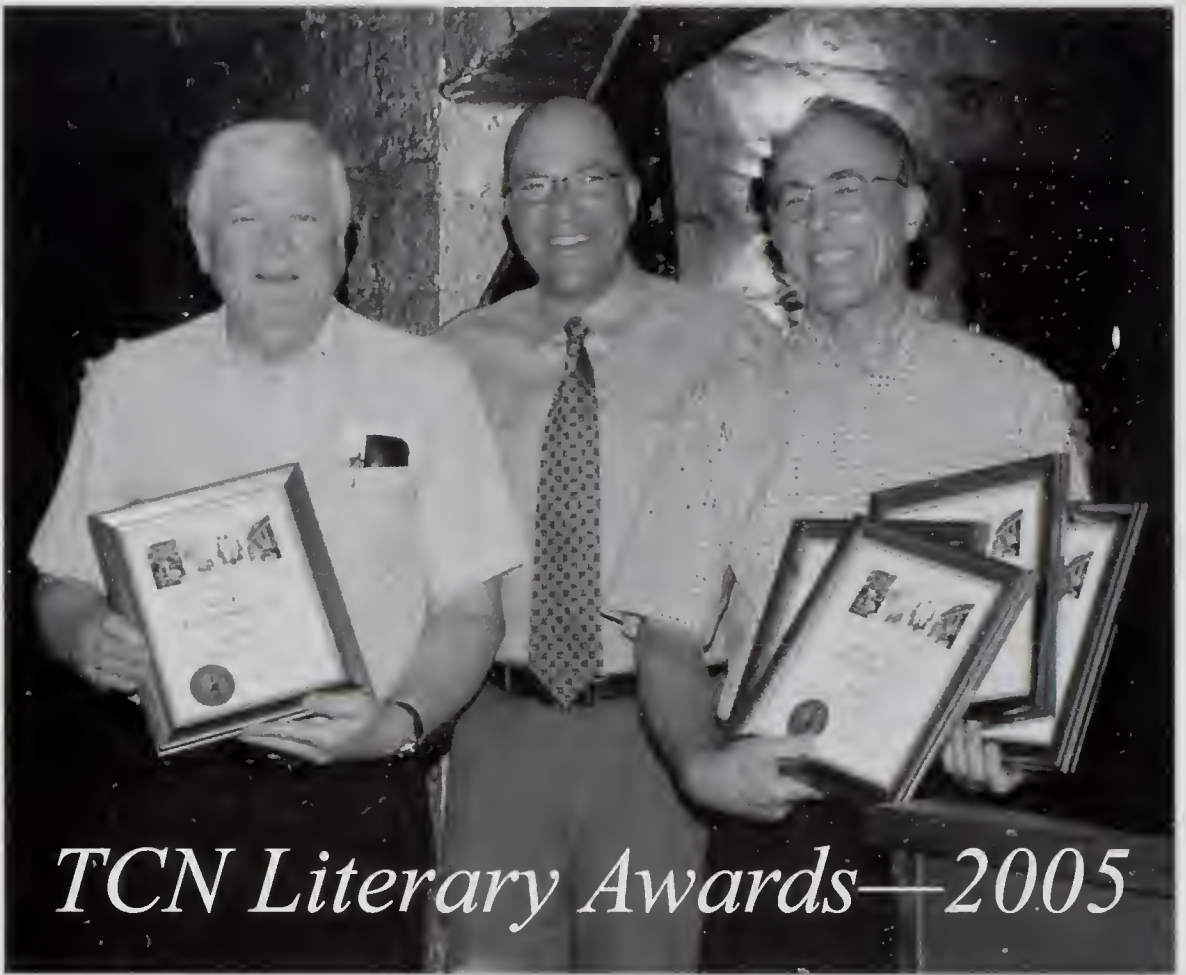
you guys have never let me forget," he laughed.

"Once helped fellow letter carrier Mike Meza case his route. Mike stepped away from his case to do some survey and while he was gone for fifteen minutes, I cased and pulled-down for him twenty feet of JC Penny catalogs. That earned me the title of 'The Hammer' ", he recollected.

"You know I have driven 116,220 miles over my route, and coined the phrase 'every letter every day', which was adopted and hangs in our break room. Of course, you can add the last time I wore regulation long pants was in 1988, and it has been shorts ever since then, even on the last day," he joked.

"Now, step-aside, here goes the last cart out to my vehicle. At least for my last day, the USPS had it washed," he commanded. With that, he waved a hand gesture, and to the applause of the entire post office, Steamer marched out and hit the street ahead of all other letter-carriers, even on his last day, keeping his goal, "every letter every day."

Shouting back, he explained, "You can cancel this date as done!"



TCN Literary Awards—2005

From left: Jim Hunt, Greg Burns, and Jim Wells.

The California Numismatist awards for the 2005 publication year were presented at the Golden State Coin Show banquet in August with the following results:

Karl M. Brainard Award for Best Article

Jim Wells, *The Numismatic Legacy of Denmark's King Christian IX*

Bryan Burke Award - Foreign Coins

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Charles G. Colver Award - Paper Instruments

Dr. Sol Taylor, *Coins on United States Stamps*

Virginia M. Hall Award - Medals

Jim Wells, *Al Baber Exhibit Award Ends 21-Year CSNA Run*

Roy Hill Award - United States Coins

Greg Burns (1st), *We're on the Map!*

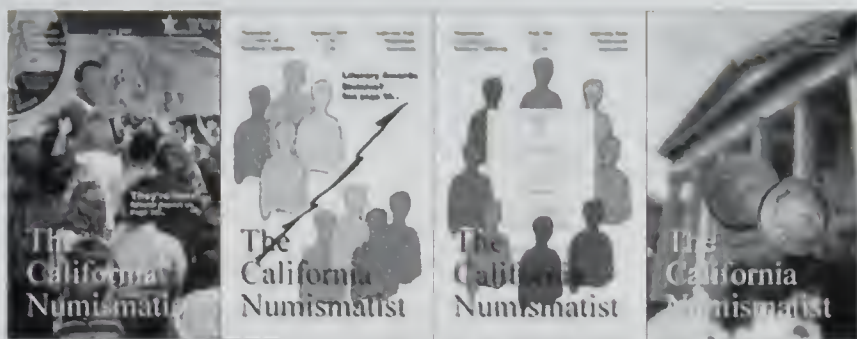
Dennis Halladay (2nd), *In Praise of Low Grades*

Jim Hunt (3rd), *A Visit to the US Mint in San Francisco*

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Jim Wells (1st), *Al Baber Exhibit Award Ends 21-Year CSNA Run*

Bill Febuary (2nd), *Playing with Money*



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Greg Burns
Editor/Publisher, The California Numismatist

Each of the award winners was presented with a framed certificate as shown above. Please extend your congratulations and appreciation to all the authors who submitted articles for your numismatic education and entertainment. Please also consider joining their ranks next year by submitting an article for publication. I assure you, there's a sublime satisfaction that comes from seeing the publication of an article you've written.

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Dr. Michael Wehner A Non-Walking Numismatic Tour Around the "City by the Bay"

Directions: to reach the Vallejo Naval and Historical Museum, drive I-80 to Vallejo. Take the Georgia Street exit west. Drive about two miles to downtown Vallejo and turn right on Sonoma Boulevard (Highway 29). Drive north two blocks and turn left at Capital Street. Museum is one block west on the left at the corner of Marin and Capital. Parking is located on the street and behind the museum.

Food: a luncheon is planned and several eateries are within easy walking distance.

Exhibits: the museum has allowed table space for exhibits or displays.

For further information please contact:

Jim Hunt, CSNA Director of Education/Symposium at 1183 Nile Ave., Chula Vista, CA 91911, or by e-mail at ecandjonthlenile@cox.net.

Michael Turrini, Northern California Symposium Coordinator; P.O. Box 4281, Vallejo, CA 94590, (510) 547-0518, (707) 246-6327, or by e-mail at emperori@jmmo.com.



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NASC Awards Nominations

It's that time of year to have the NASC awards nominations in preparation for the NASC Awards Banquet to be held February 11, 2007. The following awards are based upon NASC member nominations:



Richards P. Goodson Memorial Award—honors a member by acknowledging their contributions to the NASC. Must have been an NASC member in good standing for five consecutive years. No self-nominations.

Maurice M. Gould Memorial Junior Achievement Award—recognizes a junior's participation in numismatics. Must be no older than 18 at time of nomination and be a member of the NASC or NASC member club.

Outstanding Numismatic Speaker Award—recognizes a member of the NASC or a member club who volunteers time and effort furthering education and NASC goals by speaking before schools, clubs, organizations, etc. No self-nominations.

Use the form below and mail to Joyce Kuntz as noted no later than 11/15/06.

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NASC Annual Nomination Form

Please submit nominations as quickly as possible!

Nomination candidates to be considered between October 1 of the previous year to October 1 of the current year. Qualifications are to include achievements, accomplishments, and valued efforts in the numismatic arena. Nominee must be a member in good standing of the NASC or a member club.

Circle the appropriate award:

- Richard P. Goodson Award
- Junior Achievement Award
- Outstanding Speaker's Award

Name of nominee: _____

Qualifications (provide on separate sheet if this space is insufficient):

Submitted by: _____ Member # _____

Individual's or club's name (must be a member in good standing)

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697 Scripps Drive
Claremont, CA 91711

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Lifetime (51—65)	\$200	
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California State Numismatic Association
Attn: Dennis Halladay, Corresponding Secretary
20567 Nathan Drive
Riverside, CA 92508-2931



CSNA 120th Semi-Annual Convention—San Jose

The CSNA 120th Semi-Annual Convention will be held in conjunction with the San Jose Coin Club's 39th Annual Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Show. The festivities will again be held at Parkside Hall, 180 Park Ave., next to the Tech Museum in Downtown San Jose. Approximately 150 coin and stamp dealers are expected, so there should be LOTS of coins to choose from. Show activities include meetings and speakers from various numismatic organizations and a youth program. A detailed program should be available in the Winter issue, however you should make your hotel and banquet reservations early. Plan to attend, as it will be a lot of fun. If you wish to take a break from the show, the Tech Museum, Children's Discovery Museum, the Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum, and the Center for Performing Arts are all nearby. See you in San Jose!

Exhibits: Please bring an exhibit! Exhibit applications are available from the San Jose Coin Club website www.sanjoseclub.org, Ron Ishizaki 408-225-8477 or from Joel Anderson: joel@joelscoins.com. The best exhibit by a CSNA member will be eligible for the new G. Lee Kuntz Best-in-Show Award.

Bourse: Contact John Sarti, SJCC Box 5621 San Jose, CA 95150, 408-910-7654, wheatcoinman@yahoo.com or visit SJCC web site www.sanjoseclub.org.

Hotels: Convention Host Hotel: Crowne Plaza Holiday Inn, 282 Almaden Blvd. Next to Parkside Hall. *Book early* and ask for the special Coin Show rate of \$84 plus \$9 for parking. There may also be lower AAA or other rates. 1-800-227-6963 or 408 998-0400. You can also try...

Hilton Hotel (across street from Convention Center) 1-800-445-8667 or 408-287-2100

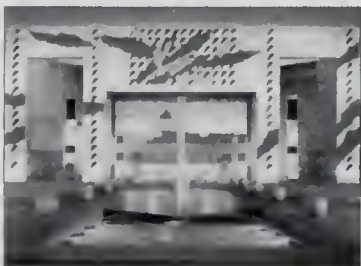
Fairmont Hotel (1 block) 170 S. Market St. 1-800-441-1414

Ramada Inn: (2 blocks) 455 S Second St. 1-800-350-1113

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Parking: Expensive (\$18/day) parking is available next to the convention at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. Five dollar all-day parking is available in the open-air lot at 401 Almaden, about 2 blocks from the convention center.

Transit: The San Jose Trolley (Light Rail) stops next to the Convention Center.





Preliminary Schedule of Events

CSNA Convention—San Jose

Thursday Jan. 11 Dealer/Exhibitor Setup 2:00pm - 7:00pm

Friday Jan. 12 Dealer/Exhibitor Setup 8:00am - 10:00am
Show Hours: 10:00am - 6:00pm

Saturday Jan. 13 Dealer/Exhibitor Setup 8:00am
Show Hours: 10:00am - 6:00pm

8:30am CSNA Open Board Meeting

11:00am - 3:00pm..... Baja Treasure Hunt for Youth

11:00am CONECA Meeting

1:00pm..... California Exonumists Society meeting

Speaker: Phil Iversen, on *Statue of Liberty*

3:00pm..... CSNA Educational Forum

Speaker: David A. Burkhart, on *Stereoviewing 1906:*

3-D Photography and the San Francisco Quake

6:00pm..... CSNA Convention Banquet and Awards

Crowne Plaza Hotel, 282 Almaden Blvd., San Jose

6:00 PM No host cocktails

7:00 PM Dinner & Program

Sunday Jan. 14 Show Hours 10:00am - 4:00pm

8:00am CSNA President's Breakfast

3:00pm San Jose Coin Club Exhibits Awards

3:30pm San Jose Coin Club Gold Coin Raffle Drawing

CSNA Convention Banquet

The CSNA 120th Convention Banquet will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 282 Almaden Blvd., next to the convention center, on Saturday, January 13. No host cocktails begin at 6:00 p.m. and the sit-down dinner and program is at 7:00 p.m. The price is \$34 per person. The first 50 people to reserve a banquet ticket will get a free, limited edition, aluminum, off-metal strike of the convention medal, and I've heard something about a wooden flat. It promises to be an evening of delicious food, fun and fellowship that will include a performance by the (famous?) CSNA Thespians. Tickets should be reserved in advance.



Please reserve banquet tickets with the following entrees:

_____ Roasted Salmon _____ Marinated Beef Tri Tip
_____ Braised Chicken with White Wine Sauce

Payment of \$ _____ enclosed for _____ banquet tickets at \$34 each.

NAME _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY - ZIP: _____

Make checks payable to CSNA. Unless otherwise requested, your tickets will be available for pickup at the CSNA table at the Convention.

Send to: Ron Ishizaki, 4931 Scarlett Way, San Jose, CA 95111 (408) 225-8477

CSNA CONVENTION PATRON

You may become a patron for a tax-deductible donation of \$10 or more to the CSNA convention fund. Patrons will be acknowledged in the banquet program.

Yes, sign me up as a CSNA Convention Patron!

My donation of \$ _____ is enclosed. (Make checks payable to CSNA)

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Special Exhibitor Banquet Benefit News...



The San Jose Coin Club and CSNA jointly announce a special arrangement to entice collectors to exhibit their material at the CSNA convention. Each of the organizations will provide a voucher, good for \$5 against the price of attending the Saturday night banquet. That totals \$10 off of the standard price of \$34, giving exhibitors a reduced price of only \$24 for the banquet.

Only one voucher per organization per exhibitor. In the case of San Jose Coin Club, their voucher may be used either at the CSNA banquet in January or the San Jose Club Banquet later in the year; the CSNA voucher may be redeemed only at the CSNA banquet in January.

Exhibit applications are available at the San Jose Coin Club website: www.sanjosecoinclub.org/AnnualShow/ExhibitRules-App06.pdf, or go to the San Jose coin club Web site at www.sanjosecoinclub.org and click on *2007 Annual Show*.

CSNA Medallions

119th Convention - Liberty Seated Design

Some may still be available from Medals Coordinator Joyce Kuntz, 697 Scripps Drive, Claremont, CA 91711-2640, gleemedals@aol.com, (909) 621-2196.

Pricing:

Silver \$20.00

Golden Bronze \$3.00

Oxidized Bronze \$4.00

Three Medal Set \$25.00

Postage: .60 for 1; .83 for 2; 1.10 for sets

Designed by Craig Roubinek and G. Lee Kuntz.



G. Lee Kuntz Award for “Best of Show” Coming to San Jose

Starting with the CSNA convention in San Jose in January, 2007, the CSNA award for the best exhibit will be sponsored by Joyce Kuntz and be titled the “G. Lee Kuntz Award for Best of Show”.

The award will not be restricted to CSNA members, but if the winner is not already a member of CSNA there will be a one-year sponsorship included with the award.

The two-inch award medal will be presented every year at the January CSNA semi-annual convention typically held in con-

junction with the San Jose Coin Club’s show, and additionally in alternate (odd) years with the August CSNA semi-annual convention typically held with the Golden State Coin Show in Arcadia. (Even years at GSCS will be the NASC best of show award.)

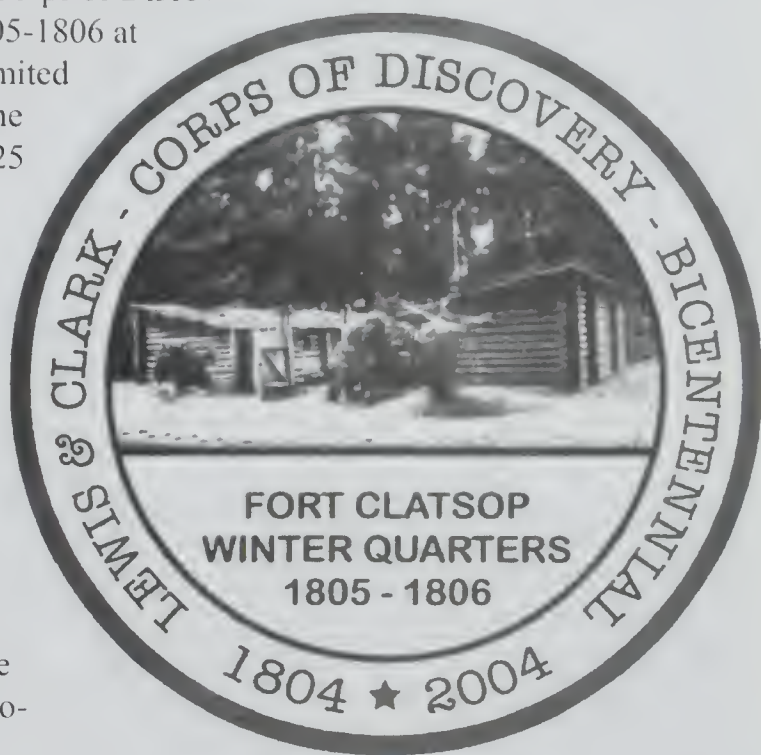
The G. Lee Kuntz Best of Show Award will take the place of the previously awarded Al Baber Award (see TCN of winter, 2005), which had a 21-year run. We wish Joyce and Lee the same beneficent longevity enjoyed by the previously titled award.



Liberty Numismatic Society Medal on Lewis & Clark

The LNS tells us that they're taking orders for their 2006 medal commemorating the Lewis & Clark Corps of Discovery winter quarters for 1805-1806 at Fort Clatsop (Oregon). Limited to 100 numbered pieces, the silver medal is priced at \$25 each, while 65 unnumbered bronze are \$7.50 each. Postage is \$1.25 per medal. The medals are 39mm diameter. Send check or money order to LNS, PO Box 300, Millbrae, CA 94030-0300.

Produced for the last 12 years by Golden State Mint (Redlands), this is the 20th medal the club has produced since 1987.



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Takes up the Gauntlet

Greg,

I accepted your challenge [from the last, *We Get Letters*] section.

You used the word "the" 1,363 times in the new issue.

Any reward beyond the wonderment and admiration of my peers? Was I the first entry?

—Stephen Huston

Not only the first entry, Steve, but the only entry! Not too many folks had the patience you did. (Actually, since Steve is the CSNA Webmaster I suspect he pulled out some special computer-wizard bit-twiddling trick out of his sleeve to do this—what do you think?)

Wonderment, admiration, you've got it in spades, my friend. Unfortunately that's the only reward for this

particular challenge. But keep your eyes open for the next one.

—Greg

Web Site Announcement

Greg,

Receiving the latest *California Numismatist* reminded me that I forgot to send you an announcement of my new website: www.coincollectingboards.com. It features some highlights from my collection of coin boards and offers my various books for sale.

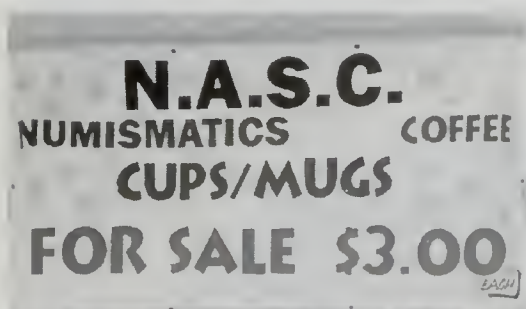
—Dave Lange

Golden State Coin Show Report

NASC President Gary Beedon reports that the show was a good one! We had over 429 paying attendees (\$3.00 each). With the free attendees on Sunday and the show workers and the dealers, we probably had 550 or more people.

Gary Beedon passes along many thanks to all of the committee members and other volunteers, and Gary especially wanted to recognize three new GSCS volunteers: Dick Thatcher and his two sons. All three helped out on Saturday, plus Dick helped out again on Sunday. He also won a gold coin in the NASC Member Clubs' Gold Drawing. Dick recently signed up as a CSNA member and as a new NASC member at the show, I hear.

The CSNA finally caught up (after a nine year hiatus) on presenting 50 year membership certificates at the Saturday banquet. See the complete listing of recipients on the following pages.



Left: Dou Foster pitching the NASC mugs. I bet his garage is still full of these things. Buy one. Please.

Below: Exhibits abounded. See Chairman Virginia Bourke's report elsewhere in this issue.

Bottom: the bourse floor was bustling and all dealer's tables were sold out.



NASC President Gary Beedon thanks Michael Tirrini, the CSNA YN coordinator, for his excellent work with the youth table. Michael had hand-onts aplenty for the kids, something he manages at many shows throughout the state.



From left: Joyce Kintz, banquet chair; G. Lee Kintz, and Lila Anderson. The banquet is always sumptuous and the fellowship warm and comfortable.



Right: Tony Micciche manages a double-handed bee-line for his seat after visiting the buffet line.

Bottom: Gary Beedon and Lila Anderson presenting Greg Burns with the ANA's Outstanding Regional Numismatic Publication award.





Gary Beedon presents Jim Wells with the People's Choice Award (Murray Singer Memorial Award sponsored by NASC), for his exhibit on "King Christian's Family Tree".



Gary Beedon presents Ken Spindler with the Best of Show Award (sponsored by NASC) for his exhibit on "Cash Coins Of China From The Reign Of Emperor Xienfeng"



Marie Menegatti from Covina Coin Club happily examines the club's CSNA 50 year membership certificate. Others who also recently achieved the impressive CSNA fifty year membership milestone were:

*Dr. Robert L. Borland II
Claudia Capps
Henry Clifford
Dan Harley
Norman Johnson
G. Lee Kintz
Clifford Mishler
Mable Patterson
Le Roy Tomaisi
Paul Wood
Delta Coin Club
Greater Orange County Coin Club
Pacific Coast Numismatic Society
San Bernardino County Coin Club
San Diego Numismatic Society
San Jose Coin Club
Vallejo Numismatic Society*

Joel Anderson (l.) reveals G. Lee Kuntz' secret of youthful hair. A "portrait of Dorian Gray"-style photograph that mysteriously looses it's hair while Lee keeps his. I felt an unusual symbiosis with this presentation, almost as if there were some odd connection. I wonder what it was (shrug)...probably just my imagination.



CSNA President Lila Anderson presents CSNA President Emeritus Dan Harley with his 50 year membership certificate. Congratulations, Dan!



CSNA President Lila Anderson presents CSNA Past President G. Lee Kuntz with his 50 year membership certificate. Congratnlations, Lee!



GSCS Chairman and CSNA medal designer Craig Ronbinek prondly shows off the special off-metal set of show medals that is traditionally given to the designer of the medal.aCongratulacions, Craig, on a terrific GSCS!



GSCS Exhibit Report

by Ginny Bourke, GSCS Exhibit Chairman

There were 12 exhibits and 7 exhibitors. One exhibitor had 4 exhibits and two exhibitors had 2 exhibits each for a total of 18 cases in five categories. We had no exhibits for categories B, E, F, H or J. This was the first time the Miscellaneous Category was issued as the Thelma Katzman Memorial Award sponsored by Harold Katzman, and I was pleased to have over five exhibits competing for the following awards:

Category A – U. S. Coins, Ron Miller Memorial Award Sponsored By David Lange

Second Place—"The Silver Dollar Story" by Kay Lenker

Third Place—"The Reign Of Seated Liberty" by Jim Wells

Category C – Ancient & Medieval Coins, Sponsor: Tom And Mo Fitzgerald

Second Place—"Pegasus" by Roy Iwata

Category D – Modern Foreign – 1500 To Date: John Lenker Memorial Award, Sponsored By Kay Edgerton Lenker

First Place—"Cash Coins Of China From The Reign Of Emperor Xienfeng" by Ken Spindler

Second Place—"King Christian's Family Tree" by Jim Wells

Third Place—"Liberty Seated Coinage Abroad" by Ken Spindler

Category G – Medals, Sponsors: Lee And Joyce Kuntz

Second Place—"Disney Around The World" by Joyce Darnell

Category I – Miscellaneous: Thelma Katzman Memorial Award Sponsored By Harold Katzman

First Place—"Evolution Of The Denver Mint" by Phil Iversen

Second Place—"Money At The White Palace – Tokens Of Anamosa State Penitentiary, Anamosa, Iowa" by Bill Nash

Third Place—"Leper Colony Token Coinage" by Ken Spindler

Others In This Category:

"International Numismatic Society Of San Diego" Exhibitor Ken Spindler

"Two Ming Notes" Exhibitor Kay Lenker

Best Of Exonumia (Category G And I): Sponsor: California Exonumist Society, Presented By President Of CES, Mike Turrini

"Evolution Of The Denver Mint" by Phil Iversen

Best Of Show: Sponsored By NASC, Presented By NASC President Gary Beedon

"Cash Coins Of China From The Reign Of Emperor Xienfeng" by Ken Spindler

People's Choice Award: Murray Singer Memorial Award Sponsored By NASC, Presented By NASC President Gary Beedon

"King Christian's Family Tree" by Jim Wells

NASC Gold Coin Benefit Drawing

Gold Coin	Winner	Club
Dos Pesos	Austin Overholtz	Leisure World Seal Beach
2-1/2 Pesos	Everett R. Jones	San Diego Numismatic Society
Dos Pesos	Jim Kingwill	Covina Coin Club
1/10 oz AGE	Roy Iwata	Santa Ana Coin Club
Dos Pesos	Richard Stiitz	Leisure World Seal Beach
2-1/2 Pesos	Dick Thatcher	
1/10 oz AGE	Nona Moore	Hemet Numismatists
1/4 oz AGE	Nona Moore	
Dos Pesos	Rockie Herrera	Greater Orange County Coin Club
Dos Pesos	Nona Moore	Hemet Numismatists
1/10 oz AGE	Rafael Flukes	Hemet Numismatists
Dos Pesos	Coinsmart	
2-1/2 Pesos	Bill Pearson	Hemet Numismatists
1/10 oz AGE	Glenn Franks	Covina Coin Club
2-1/2 Pesos	Roy Iwata	Whittier Coin Club
1/4 oz AGE	Coinsmart	
2-1/2 Pesos	Cassino	Northrop Grumman Coin Club
2-1/2 Pesos	Ed Alvarer	Upland Coin Club
1/10 oz AGE	Charles E. Morresen	Downey Numismatists
Dos Pesos	Janet Reeves	Upland Coin Club
2-1/2 Pesos	H. Pfenninger	Leisure World Seal Beach
Dos Pesos	John Leon	Northrop Grumman Coin Club
1/4 oz AGE	Rockie Herrera	Greater Orange County Coin Club
2-1/2 Pesos	Pat & Jack Hook	San Diego Numismatic Society
2-1/2 Pesos	Grefsrud	Long Beach Coin Club
Dos Pesos	Nona Moore	
2-1/2 Pesos	Nona Moore	
1/10 oz AGE	G. Jensen	Northrop Grumman Coin Club
Dos Pesos	Norris Turner	Upland Coin Club
1/4 oz AGE	Nona Moore	

Club	Ticket Sold
Colver City Coin Club	23
Covina Coin Club	75
Downey Numismatists	140
Greater Orange County Coin Club	60
Heartland Coin Club	22
Hemet Numismatists	38
Leisure World Seal Beach Coin Club	40
Long Beach Coin Club	40
Northrop Grumman Coin Club	170
Oceanside-Carlsbad Coin Club	20
San Bernardino County Coin Club	107
San Diego Numismatic Society	77
Santa Ana Coin Club	25
Upland Coin Club	260
Verdugo Hills Coin Club	10
Whittier Coin Club	46
Sub-total	\$1153

Members of Glendale Coin Club, Northern California Numismatic Association, etc., purchased NASC raffle tickets at the show and the total is included with the "Sold at Show" figure.

Sold at Show	\$348
Total	\$1501

CSNA Election Candidates

Biographies

Editor's note: I've listed the biographies for the CSNA election candidates alphabetically. Since none of the offices are contested, the slate stands elected as-is. Hopefully, these biographies will allow you to get to know something about the individuals.

Director (South) Gary Beedon

Gary Beedon was born in Southern California and is a retired Senior Staff Engineer from The Boeing Company (formerly McDonnell Douglas) in Long Beach, CA. Over 28+ years were spent as an engineer in commercial aircraft systems, electronics and in engineering management.

He is active in speaking at local coin clubs on numismatic topics relating to the 1876 Centennial Exposition, A Touch of Egypt, A Touch of Turkey (not the bird!), Gallery Mint Museum, National Coin Collection, Counterfeit Coin Detection, Bust Half Dollars, 1984 Olympics, The Good, The Bad and The Ugly, etc. There are others. Gary was a guest speaker on Jim Hunt's internet radio program, "Coin Talk" covering U.S. Bust Half Dollars on June 21, 2004 (<http://wsradio.com>).

Some of the honors Gary has received include: Krause Publications' Numismatic Ambassador Award (2002), NASC's Richard P. Goodson Award (2001), ANA's Presidential Award (1999), and several literary awards, both from the ANA and the Numismatic Literary Guild. There are others, etc.

Gary also serves the coin hobby by maintaining special numismatic coin sites on the Internet: NumisCAT's Purrrr-fect Page, Nevada Show List (coin shows) and the California Show List (coin shows). All are listed on Gary's main Web site titled Beedon's Better Bookmarks (<http://www.home.earthlink.net/~beedon>).

The following is just a sampling of the clubs and organizations in which Gary holds active memberships: CSNA (director), ANA (life member and exhibit judge), NASC (president), Bust Half Nut Club, Numismatic Literary Guild, Greater Orange County Coin Club.

Recording Secretary Virginia Bourke

I have been involved with coin collecting since high school (a really long time ago) and am fairly active in the San Diego area at the San Diego Numis-



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matic Society, Chula Vista Coin Club and Heartland Coin Club in El Cajon where I have served in various capacities. I am also exhibit chairman at the Golden State Coin Show. I am a member of ANA, ANS, CSNA, CES, NASC, TAMS and WIN. If I have left any organization out, I apologize. My current interests are famous ships on coins, art medals, U.S. coins, coins of Canada, Mexico, German East Africa, Conder tokens and other series. To make it short, I have an eclectic collection. The most fun I have, of course, is collecting friends.

President Freydis Grant

"Freddie" as she is fondly known, has been a member of CSNA for twenty-two years. She has served CSNA as historian and served as nominating committee member a number of times. She also was assistant bourse chairman for ten CSNA conventions. When CSNA hosted the Annual ANA Convention in Anaheim in 1988 she was responsible for the CSNA medal history exhibit.

Freddie has lived in Southern California since 1970 when she and the family moved there from Hawaii. It was at this time Freddie became interested in coin collecting and she and the family joined both Fontana United Numismatists and the San Bernardino County Coin Club (SBCCC). Freddie came up through the ranks to be president for two consecutive two-year terms. She co-chaired the SBCCC 50th anniversary gala of the club where she and her husband received the ANA president's award and both received life membership in SBCCC.

She is currently a member of the ANA and is president of the Hemet Numismatists. In addition, she is serving as board member of the Upland Coin Club and the California Exonumist Society. She is an ANA District Delegate and represents SBCCC as a member of the NASC.

Freddie was born in Vermont, raised in New Hampshire and served her country in the U. S. Air Force.

Director (South) Ellen J. Hunt

When you are married to an avid coin collector, something is bound to rub off. I have been married to Jim for 43 years, and a few things have rubbed off. I am a member of ANA, CSNA, San Diego Numismatic Society (SDNS), and the Chula Vista Coin Club. I have been on the Board of SDNS for many years, and

am one of the club's representatives to the San Diego County Inter-Club Numismatic Council (SDCICNC), I have been a prize winning exhibitor at the San Diego County Fair, CSNA and the SDCICNC's Coinarama. While attending meetings with my husband, I have often been tempted to speak up on certain subjects because I felt that I could contribute positively to the discussion. But, not being a voting member of the organization, it was hard for me to sit back and not voice an opinion. If elected, I will be able to bring some new and fresh perspectives to CSNA. If you are looking for some "new-blood", I'm your candidate.

Treasurer Roy Iwata

Presently, I am a board member of the Numismatic Association of Southern California (NASC) and Long Beach Coin Club. For NASC I am on the Golden State Coin Show Committee. I am the treasurer of the California State Numismatic Association (CSNA).

I am also a member of the American Numismatic Association (joined in 1976), Civil War Token Society, Society for US Commemorative Coins, Full Step Nickel Club and several coin clubs in Southern California

I am past president of the Long Beach Coin Club, Santa Ana Coin Club, Anaheim Coin Club (disbanded) and Orange County Coin Club (disbanded). I am treasurer of the Santa Ana Coin Club and past treasurer of the Tustin Coin Club and Greater Orange County Coin Club

I started collecting coins in 1956 with Lincoln cents. Later I started collecting Mercury dimes and Washington quarters. After graduating from the University of Hawaii in 1965, I moved to Southern California and started to collect other types of US coins. Sometime in the 1980s, I got interested in tokens, medals and other areas on numismatics. In 2001, I started to collect ancient Greek silver coins.

Director (North) James H. Laird

James is retired, has no children, and lives with his wife in Alamo, California. A philanthropist, he volunteers his time and money to support several organizations outside and inside the hobby. He is currently on the foundation board for the Contra Costa County Hospice and has underwritten the Association's dinner since 1998. He is also a trustee for the John Muir Medical Center, whereby he sits on the advisory board and offers resources to its medical center. He is also an activist for Battered Woman Against Domestic Violence. His charitable contributions include: San Francisco Bay Area Parks and Recreation Commission, and the Animal Rescue Foundation (ARF).

On the Numismatic front he is currently president of the Diablo Numismatic Society in Concord, and a member in good standing with the American Numismatic Association. James was benefactor for the youth treasure hunt at the ANA's 1999 Sacramento convention, and contributed to the Numismatic Theater in San Francisco 2005. He is also a member of Northern California Numismatic Association, and has been an advisor to the Livermore, California club since 1973.

In 2002 he was presented with ANA's presidential award for outstanding service to the hobby. He also received the ANA's regional coordinators award for excellence in 2006.

Director (North) Joseph Lang

Joseph Lang is a current board member of CSNA, a member of the American Numismatic Association, as well as many smaller numismatic associations. He has been a full-time coin dealer in California since 1987. First based in San Diego, Mr. Lang is now located in Santa Rosa and is a business partner with Stephen Album (Stephen Album Rare Coins), the leading dealer of Islamic and Indian coins. Mr. Lang has been a contributing editor to various editions of Krause publication's *Standard Catalog of World Coins*, *German Coins*, and *World Paper Money* for over a decade. He has also contributed to past editions of the Monetary Research Institute's *Banker's Guide to Foreign Currency*. Mr. Lang has specialized in world coins since 1989 with expertise in Chinese and Vietnamese cast cash coins with an emphasis on Chinese coins of the Tong dynasty and later. He is an avid outdoorsman and enjoys hiking, backpacking, mountaineering, and cycling. As well as having a love for the outdoors, he is a percussionist and performs with two symphonic orchestras, the American Philharmonic based in Sonoma County, and the Bohemian Club Symphony Orchestra based in San Francisco.

Corresponding Secretary Janet Reeves

I mainly collect Silver Rounds and Silver Commemoratives. I am a current member of California State Numismatic Association, Covina Coin Club, San Bernardino County Coin Club and Upland Coin Club. Was member of Fontana Coin Club until club closed in May of 2006.

I am currently the editor of *Coin Talk* (Upland Coin Club newsletter) and on their board of directors. I am also revenue chairman for San Bernardino Coin Club. Was recording secretary for Fontana United Numismatists for five years.

My duties as recording secretary and editor of *Coin Talk* include or have included: keeping updated mailing list, keeping record of paid dues and dues notification letters, composing and mailing newsletter, and designing one-of-a-kind certificates of appreciation. I have used Microsoft programs (such as Word and Excel), Google for research and pictures, and several greeting card programs to aid me in my duties.

Director (North) John Russell

John Russell resides in Concord, is married and the father of two grown children. Besides being a coin dealer at local shows he enjoys participating with the Diablo Valley Treasure Hunters. John has been a member for three years with CSNA, NCNA, Diablo Numismatic Society, and the Vallejo Numismatic Society.

Among his accolades include Diablo Numismatic Society's highest honor, the Fellow Award. John has also received the ANA Regional Coordinators award

for excellence, and the Northern California Numismatic Association's Presidents Medal.

A speaker and contributor, John has made an impact in Northern California coin clubs with his frequent presentation of coin grading clinic's. His donations have helped fund programs for youth numismatics. He hopes to contribute educationally and numismatically if selected to the board.

Director (South) Ken Spindler

I've been a coin collector for 45 years, and active in San Diego's numismatic clubs since relocating from my native Washington, D.C. in the mid-1990's. I am a newly-retired Federal government attorney/appellate hearing officer now seeking similar work in the private sector. Meanwhile, I continue in my 3rd year as a cataloguer for Ponterio & Associates, Inc. coin auction house in San Diego. In years past I was an editorial contributor to Krause-Mishler's *Standard Catalog of World Coins*. I also have a separate resume from my 20 years as a ballet dancer.

I attend meetings of four to five of San Diego's coin clubs each month and am currently president of two of them. I served as president of the San Diego County Inter-club Numismatic Council in 2003-4, and am currently its treasurer. I issue publicity for San Diego's Coinarama each year, and was honored by the Council's Medal of Merit in 2004. I occasionally speak to coin clubs on topics involving foreign coins. In addition to continually building my collection of modern world "type" coins, with various offshoots, I derive great pleasure from creating coin and token exhibits. One of my exhibits was recently reproduced as an art book, and a second one is likely.

I always enjoy sitting in at the San Diego County Fair's numismatic exhibits' information table as a "Coins for Kids" representative and spokesperson for the club system, promoting our hobby and active club membership.

In light of today's record commercial strength of the numismatic market, our local coin clubs should be enjoying a resurgence of activity. Yet, as you know, home-bound collectors, who we know are out there somewhere/everywhere, are still staying away in droves. They would greatly enjoy and benefit from our enriching and congenial association! We must aggressively reach out to them by advertising club meeting schedules and our public educational forums. There's no award for being a "best kept secret."

Vice President Michael Stanley

Michael is an eight-year member of the board. Currently ANA and NCNA representative to the CSNA and recently appointed audio-visual custodian. He is reviewing all tapes and films to see if they can be condensed onto DVD format then will compile a list of items available and have it placed on the Web site for clubs to check out for educational purposes.

An advocate of the youth movement in numismatics he volunteers his time to educate and run the youth auction at the Canadian Numismatic Association conventions. He is a national volunteer for the American Numismatic Association.

tion. He has held numerous positions with local, state, and national level clubs.

In recognition for his devotion to the coin hobby he has been awarded the ANA Presidents award in 1997 and 1998, the Glenn Smedley Award in 1998, the ANA Medal of Merit in 1999, and was named as a Numismatic Ambassador in 2000.

He is a lifetime member of 13 clubs including ANA, NCNA, NASC, CSNS, CSNA, and is an annual dues paying member of 34 other clubs.

Director (North) Michael Turrini

“Not My Problem” or “May I Help”. Both statements have three words and are said with the same amount of breath. “Stan” Turrini, long committed to the California coin hobby and many times honored coin activist, both locally, regionally, and nationally, has remained committed to the latter: “May I Help”. For the CSNA, he is presently serving in his third term a director from the north, an assistant editor for *The California Numismatist*, and the association’s youth numismatist coordinator. A full-time educator, nearing retirement, “Stan”—his high school nickname—is also the Western United States director for the Canadian Numismatic Association, treasurer and editor for the Northern California Numismatic Association (NCNA), and a officer and booster in several local northern California coin clubs, as well as vice-president of the California Exonumist Society. In addition, he remains a frequent speaker before local coin clubs and a writer for the national numismatic press. He has been honored with several awards from the ANA and the coveted “Miller Medal” from the NCNA, plus is a Krause Publication’s “Numismatic Ambassador”, to name a few of his recognitions. Intensely enthused with and energized to the coin hobby, “Stan” believes, as best as he might presently and more so in the future, his goal for, with, and in CSNA is “May I Help.”

Director (South) Jim Wells

Jim Wells is a long time collector of American coins, paper money, and tokens, and European coins. His numerous coin exhibits have won at the local, state, and national levels. He joined CSNA in 1974 and has been a speaker at the CSNA educational symposium. His numismatic articles have appeared in the *Numismatist*, *CalCoin News*, *California Numismatist*, and *World Coin News*. The San Diego Numismatic Society is his home club, where Jim edits the award-winning *Bulletin*. As a member of ANA, Jim has attended several conventions and summer seminars and was a runner-up for the Wayte & Olga Raymond Memorial Literary Award. He is also a member of NASC and the Numismatic Literary Guild. Jim is a retired management consultant and instructor, and was founding president of a 140-member chapter of the National Management Association. He hopes to bring some fresh numismatic views and organizational skills to the CSNA board.

Youth Corner

by Stan Turrini

CSNA Youth Numismatist
Coordinator

Greetings! Many of my previous *Youth Corners* have been on, you might say, “a higher plane”, speaking about young people and working with adolescents, which remains my daily grind. My objective has been to enlighten and to emphasize to TCN readers that today’s world and today’s kids are far from the image of *Leave It To Beaver* or the Cartwright family in *Ponderosa*.

My *Youth Corner* this issue might drift from these past trends and direct itself to other approaches. Read on.

First: influence. Anyone who has worked with young people—and to address youngsters, children, teenagers, and kids as *young people* is the preferred nomenclature—has long ago learned that an adult can have profound influence, lasting influence, on their lives. The power, and it is a power, can be overwhelming. Being an educator, I have personally been honored with this power. Recently, a former student, now in his mid-20s, in cruising the Internet and discovering Will C. Wood High School’s (Vacaville, California) Web site, e-mailed me to say hello, giving me an update on his life—he was out of the Air Force, married with two children, and had begun a career in the automobile business, and even offered me a deal on a new car plus financing!

My point, readers, is to remember that you can—and hopefully shall



have—a lasting influence and presence upon those young people that you entice and educate about our world of money. Bear this mind when you are with them. Remember, they are still young and without your experience. Do not judge, but do encourage. Reward over reprimand. Practice patience. The rewards might be some young adult e-mailing you out of the blue just to say hello, with a silent yet sincere thanks.

Second: Gentile honored. Long before your Youth Numismatist Coordinator began his first ventures, Lawrence J. Gentile had already dedicated his numismatic passion toward young people. It is fitting, as his health has not been good these past years, that the American Numismatic Association (ANA) honored him with its highest award, the Farren Zerbe Memorial Award, this past August in Denver, Colorado. My point, besides to recognize this distinguished coin activist, is to note that the national association respected and recognized someone who has given decades to youth numismatics, particularly when many others have been awarded for their

endeavors in research, writing, service, or national positions, or even generosity. Mr. Gentile, to my knowledge, is the first-ever Farren Zerbe Memorial Award recipient who earned it because of youth numismatics. Congratulations!

Third: Californians lead Team USA and had fun! Elsewhere in this TCN, Editor Greg Burns has published a news story of “Team USA’s” presence and participation during the July 2006 Canadian Numismatic Association (CNA) Convention. Team USA included these Californians: Lee H. Gong, Dr. Walter A. Ostromecki, Jr., Michael M. Stanley, and yours truly, Michael S. Turrini, with our friend from the Garden State, Jim Majoros. We were called to service last year during the CNA’s Calgary, Alberta, Canada, convention to assist with the “Coins For Kids” activity, and it was simply fun and proved that our hobby has no borders. We assisted both at the “Coins For Kids” table and the Saturday, July 22, 2006 Youth Auction.

Among the lessons learned is that you have to allow the young people to enjoy themselves and to have fun. (*Sidebar: I have developed an opinion that the fundamental trouble with many in our hobby and with some local coin clubs is that the element of “fun” has been secondary to business or problems or individuals.*) Sitting and observing the audience at the standing-room-only auction, while it thunderstormed outside, was simply a great time. The auctioneer, Michael M.



Stanley, had fun. The runners, myself and Jim Majoros, had fun, and the recorders and cashiers, Dr. Walter A. Ostromecki, Jr., and Lee H. Gong, had fun. We all had fun! And the kids had fun!

Of course, if you were bidding with play money for some really choice coins and currency, you could claim fun also!

That is my point: make it fun for the young people.

These three ramblings might not offer much more than what you yourself have observed, and as usual I would welcome your comments, ideas, and insights about youth numismatics.

Finally, I am seeking donations—coins, other numismatic contributions, or cash—to assist in the association’s youth tables at local coin club shows. What is wanted the most are nice condition popular state quarters, suitable for a young person to begin a collection.

Comments and donations may be sent to me at PO Box 4104, Vallejo, California, 94590-0410. My home e-mail is EMPERORI@juno.com.

Until next time, remember, have fun with your hobby! Always serve others! Enjoy your collecting!

ANA Report

by Mike Stanley

ANA Representative for the CSNA



The 115th annual ANA show is history. This year it was held in mile high Denver Colorado. CSNA members played a big roll in making this show a success. Among those who participated were Dorothy Baber, her daughter Vickie Owens, and daughter-in-law Cecilia Baber, her son Larry.

Larry was in charge of the signs; a very critical part to a successful show is knowing where to go and Larry made it happen with signs from the street to the meeting room. Exhibitors included Phil Iverson and Kay Lenker both winning an award for their efforts. Judges included Jim Hunt and Gary Beedon. Numismatic Theater heard from Don Barsi and Michael Turrini. Operating the message Center and Lost and Found department was Mike Stanley.

The side attractions for this convention were two walking tours to the 100-year-old Denver Mint.

This writer participated in the tour and rated it four stars, 38 Convention goers were on this tour. After being greeted by the Superintendent, we were broken up into groups of five and had a docent take us around to the various different stages of the Mint. The highlight of this tour is that the participants walked the workroom floor. It was a real touchy feely tour, as this writer was allowed to catch

coins hot off the press in his hand. Cents, nickels and new North Dakota quarters.

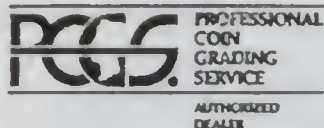
The marble walls, gold leaf ceiling and century old architecture were well preserved.

The other event was a night at the Rockies Stadium to witness a game against the Arizona Diamond backs. The host club lost 8-5 probably because of exhaustion from the previous nights 18-inning marathon, in which this writer sat through 15 innings and left after midnight. The game ended up going 5 hours and 21 minutes.

The main attraction of the show was the display of twenty of the 1933 twenty dollar gold pieces, flanked by four armed guards from Ft Knox. Other crowd pleasers were two 1913 liberty head nickels, The Beebee and Walton specimens, the 1794 silver dollar, and the Brasher Doubloon were on hand as was a fine collection of Pioneer Gold, and to top off the exhibits was the Bureau of Engraving and Printing with their Billion Dollar Display. The U.S. Mint also were taking pre orders for the San Francisco Mint Dollar, and five dollar gold piece

The big hit for the kids was the treasure Trivia game set up with 25 treasure spots on the conventions floor and the passport to the Mint Mile.

The show ended on Saturday and



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on Sunday busses carried nearly 200 people to Colorado Springs Headquarters for Member Appreciation Day. Members were treated to a fine BBQ with all the trimmings.

The ANA Money Market made available a limited edition Red Book commemorating the event. Mintage

of this special issue was 500 books, autographed by Ken Bressett.

So it's on to Charlotte next spring and Milwaukee in the summer which will include a day in the country with a visit to Iola Wisconsin.



Author Kenneth Bressett autographing special limited edition copies of the Red Book during Member Appreciation Day at ANA headquarters in Colorado Springs.



Member Appreciation Day also highlighted the dedication of the Edward C. Rochette Museum (formerly the ANA Money Museum). From left: Christopher Cipoletti (Exec. Director), William Horton, Jr. (ANA president), Ed Rochette, and Clifford Mishler. A complimentary barbeque was provided to all who pre-registered, as well as round trip transportation to and from the ANA World's Fair of Money and local airports.

Going's On

by Greg Burns



Well, since the CSNA only has their board meetings twice a year I'll start with theirs.

We met the first day of the Golden State Coin Show (GSCS), early in the morning before the show opened so that any of the board that were also dealers could get their licks in before they had to skeedaddle off to the bourse floor. Though a few officers and board members were absent, we had a quorum (fancy Latin word meaning there were enough opinions in the air to make things interesting.)

Roy Iwata's treasurer's report continues to intrigue me. As fast as I spend money he somehow finds a way to not only replace it, but to add to it. Our semi-annual income was \$11,019.99, and with expenses for the period at \$11,924.18, you'd have thought our net worth would go down. But no, somehow Roy found a way to bring our total up to \$83,382.93, and that isn't including the massive silver reserves in the famous CSNA vault in the form of struck medals.

Joyce Kuntz reports that participation in the CSNA medals program continues to struggle. Once numbering 100, only 66 standing orders continue today. Folks that are quitting the program are looking for buyers, so if you're in the market for CSNA exnumia, now's a good time to let folks know you're a buyer. Joyce says she may advocate melting our supply of struck silver medals (which aren't selling very well) in order to provide

material for current strikings, and she'll report on that line of thought further at our next meeting. In the meantime, I'll try and find some space here in TCN to print an inventory of our current holdings in case anyone would like to round out their collection.

Joel Anderson passed along news of the upcoming San Jose convention on behalf of the new CSNA show chair, Ron Ishizaki. Ron sent a short write-up that I've used for the preliminary schedule and other info in this issue of TCN. A notable change is the venue for the banquet: we'll be eating at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in downtown San Jose, right next to the convention center. Something else that will be new is the distribution of a wooden money flat to the attendees. Happily, we'll still enjoy the hilarity of the CSNA Thespians as entertainment for the evening. Oh, and we're projected to add to Roy Iwata's money piles with the enormous profit of \$5 from the banquet—hey, at least we're not losing money! Oh, and a last minute announcement just in from Lila Anderson: CSNA and San Jose Coin Club are each pitching in a \$5 (total of \$10) voucher for any exhibitor who attends the banquet—more info elsewhere in this issue.

Joyce Kuntz handed in the list of nominees for the upcoming CSNA elections, and since there were no nominations from the floor, the slate has been approved as: President



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Freddie Grant, Vice President Mike Stanley, Corresponding Secretary Janet Reeves, Recording Secretary Virginia Bourke, and Treasurer Roy Iwata. Board members from the south are Gary Beedon, Ellen Hunt, Ken Spindler, and Jim Wells. Board members from the north are James Laird, Joe Lang, Michael Turrini, and John Russell. All in all this is as fine a slate of officials as we've ever had, so pass along your congratulations and well wishes to all of them. This group will serve the 2007-2009 term starting at the San Jose convention.

Craig Roubinek reported on the GSCS. The bourse was sold out, with several dealers waiting in the wings to try and get in at the last minute if any openings popped up. Exhibits were all in place and looked good, and the show was generally on track to be a success.

Stephen Huston, CSNA's webmaster, reported that our site (www.calcoin.org) had been completely rebuilt in early 2005, and that monthly revisions and additions were being made continually. Most recently, Stephen added the audio-visual library list to the site, detailing over 60 titles along with ordering information for members. Many of the member clubs

are neglecting to keep their Web site directory information current (to their own detriment when new potential members are disappointed by outdated information). Stephen still needs verified info from the officers of Bay Cities Coin Club, California Exonumist Society, Cupertino Coin Club, Eureka Coin Club, Fremont Coin Club, Fresno Numismatic Society, Greater Orange County Coin Club, Heartland Coin Club, Long Beach Coin Club, Northern California Numismatic Association, Oceanside-Carlsbad Coin Club, Sacramento Valley Coin Club, San Bernardino County Coin Club, San Diego Numismatic Society, Santa Barbara Coin Club, The World Coin Club, and Whittier Coin Club – whew!

Phil Iverson stated that his efforts at new member recruitment was stalled due to the ANA no longer providing mailing labels of their new members (a past courtesy that helped identify new potential CSNA members.)

Michael Turrini, speaking as the YN chair, asked for and received reimbursements for his many fundings of YN give-aways: quarters, albums, etc. The board felt this was a worthy enough use of funds to also vote in another allocation for future use. Good

going, Michael, keep up the great work.

Michael also reported on the upcoming CSNA northern educational symposium up in Vallejo in October (see info elsewhere in this issue). Michael stated that he already had the 2007 event planned (10/27/07—mark your calendars now) and was beginning work on the 2008. Talk about being prepared!

Jim Hunt brought everyone up to speed on his plans for the upcoming southern educational symposium in Fullerton next March. Joe Lang will be speaking on cash coins, I'll be talking on the Lusitania medal and its varieties, Dr. Robert Chandler will be speaking about Wells Fargo, and Larry Eckerman will speak on his experiences as plant manager for the San Francisco mint. Like Michael, Jim is already planning the 2008 event which tentatively includes speakers from the Smithsonian, ANA, and Krause Publications.

Both Michael and Jim sought and received additional funding for these worthwhile educational symposiums. We are also planning a new run of medals for the presenters, and one of the dies, now cracked, needs to be replaced.

Mike Stanley talked about the audio-visual library (listing in this issue as well as at www.calcoin.org) and brought up the thought of having some of the material converted to DVD, since so many clubs now seem to be moving in the direction of that format. Three hundred dollars were passed to initiate some activity in this regard, mostly to focus on CSNA-specific material (we have several interviews with significant CSNA historical fig-

ures). Mike also talked about the ANA convention in Denver, and you can read his report elsewhere in this issue. Mike also passed along some NCNA information: their show will be at a new site for the December two-day show, and they have a one-day show coming up next April.

As NASC contact, G. Lee Kuntz announced that the next NASC awards banquet would again be at Coco's in Arcadia on March 11, 2007.

Regarding TCN, I made some copies available for handout at the GSCS, and as ad manager, Lila Anderson spoke of some potential new advertisers she was pursuing.

For old business, we talked about the replacement of the previous Baber award with the new G. Lee Kuntz award (see separate story elsewhere in this TCN). New business noted that now-defunct Fontana United Numismatists had provided a significant financial gift to CSNA as a parting gesture.

Whew! Now on to the NASC scoop, covered the morning of the following day...

Harold Katzman passed along his membership report (printed elsewhere in this issue), and reported that the association had signed up three new members just the previous day. As a new bonus to induce member clubs to promote NASC membership, any club that sends in three new members to Harold will receive an NASC silver round; this bonus program extends until the next GSCS.

Treasurer Kay Lenker reported quarterly income of \$3,820, and expenses of \$2,379.22, giving NASC a net worth of \$37,712.68.

Nona Moore reported that now

that she's been able to collect all of the historian's materials she'll be focusing on catching up the scrapbooks of photographs, clippings, and other ephemera. As the new NASC photographer I passed along photos from the February awards banquet for just this purpose. Nona has a ways to go...the last scrapbook entries are from 1978.

As ANA representative, Joyce Kuntz reported that there had been about 7,500 attendees at the Denver convention. As our awards committee chair, Joyce also passed along the tentative date of December 17 as the committee meeting date.

Tony Micciche stated that the 2007 awards banquet would again be held at Coco's in Arcadia, and the price would be the same, \$30 per person, with the same menu (chicken, salmon, prime rib, etc.).

G. Lee Kuntz, acting as CSNA representative, passed along the info from the previous day's CSNA board meeting, though many of the NASC folks had also attended that, the two organizations sharing much in common in the way of officers and interested parties.

Jerry Yahalom passed along the budget and finance committee's report. Looks like we'll be solvent another year. There was quite a bit of discussion about many of the committee chairs not providing timely info to the budget and finance group, to the extent that a motion passed that requires approved budgets before expenditures take place.

Craig Roubinek reported that in spite of poor gold drawing ticket sales the GSCS in general was doing very well with attendance of well over 400, driven in part by a free coupon for

Sunday in the newspaper.

Don Foster stated that Tom Fitzgerald (grievance chair) reported no active issues. Guess we keep the lawyer's fees this time around.

Though the NASC still doesn't have a regular chair for membership, Albertus Hoogevcen and Gary Beedon have been pitching the association at the Long Beach Expo, and Wilfred Gamble reports that a new club has joined: the Laguna Woods Coin Club. If you're in the area of Laguna Hills area see the club's listing in the directory of this issue for more information.

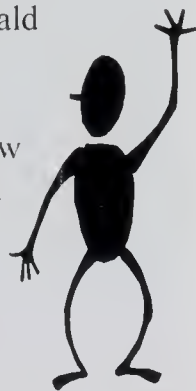
Harold Katzman reported that though we're not making any more NASC medals, we do continue to sell the old ones.

Policy and Procedure Chair Nona Moore reported on the results of a meeting she held that submitted proposed changes to the P&P for the editor's position; it was approved. A proposed change for the budget and finance committee ran into some extensive discussion that sent that subject packing back to the P&P committee for more work.

Phil Iversen reported that the visual education library now had three more videos available.

The NASC is still looking for someone to take on the responsibility of YN chair. Are you interested?

As far as old business, I was asked to list Tom Fitzgerald as the guardian of the NASC's Yap stone (done by mention here). For new business, Fontana United Numismatists also made a donation to the NASC—thank you FUN!



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50 Year CSNA Membership

Dear Lila:

Thanks for your letter of August 8, informing me that I am slated to be among the 50 year members of CSNA to be honored at the 119th convention awards banquet on August 26.

Regrettably, my travel commitments preclude my being in attendance on that occasion, as I will not have returned to lola following a full week of attendance at the ANA in Denver until the previous Monday, and the following Thursday I am going to be flying out to Salt Lake City to attend the national token show.

Perhaps one of my many acquaintances and friends could receive my 50th anniversary recognition on my behalf and forward it on to me.

I have certainly been honored and rewarded to have been a member of Cal State for all these years. The many friendships and working relationships that I have made over that time with the likes of Lew Panosh, Paul Hamm, Curly Mitchell, Charlie Kappen, Charlie Colver, Dorothy Baber and the like, have been highly cherished numismatically and otherwise.

Sorry I can not join you on this occasion. I have fond memories of the many Cal State conventions, seminars and related events I have attended over the past 45 years. When I joined CSNA, I might mention, I was still in high school, and did not make my first visit to California until 1961; I joined



Cal State at that time because of the value I placed on Calcoin News as a resource, in that resource poor era.

Sincerely Yours,

—Clifford Mishler

Another Literary Resource

Greg:

Since CSNA is a member of the San Francisco Museum and Historical Society, we should advertise the subjects in their journal (*The Argonaut*) in the TCN; otherwise no one will know about the journals we receive and borrow them from the CSNA library. I sent to the CSNA library volume 16 number 1 without recording the articles in it. For the next two issues, the articles are listed below.

Volume 16 No.2 (Winter 2005)

Their Architecture Of Justice: San Francisco's County Courthouses Since 1848 by Ray McDivitt

San Francisco's Italianates: Development Of A Residential Style by William Kostura

The Incredible Case Of Warren K. Billings And Thomas J. Mooney – Part 1 by John Ralston

Our Intangible Home – Part 2: A Spectrum Of Women Operating Board-

inghouses by Meridith Eliassen
Volume 17 No.1 (Spring 2006)
Where The Rubble Went by Robert Bardell

We Could Hardly Save Anything: St. Ignatius Church And College In The San Francisco Earthquake And Fire Of 1906 by Alan Ziaka

Resilient San Francisco: The City That Shows How by John T. Freeman

Such A Dust And Roar: A Reminiscence Of The 1906 San Francisco Earthquake And Fire, Edited with an Introduction by Lynn A. Bonfield

They Saved The Mint, 100th Anniversary Of The San Francisco Earthquake And Fire by Michael Castleman

Bird's-eye View Of The Ruins Of San Francisco, Panoramic Photograph by Geo. R. Lawrence Co.

A Portfolio Of Photographs Taken By Ned Torney by Richard Torney

I'll be mailing the journal to the CSNA library sometime this week.

—Roy Iwata

CSNA Treasurer

Hi Roy,

I'll run this as a letter. I'd rather not reprint their table of contents each issue, but perhaps if someone has an interest this will pique it and get the ball rolling...

—Greg

Maverick Token Find

I recently acquired an old token that is from the Russ House. I found it at an old 1800's era park in the city of Napa, Ca while metal detecting. I am trying to figure out if it is from the popular Russ House in San Francisco. It may be a previously unknown token so as a new collector I am

eager to find out. I am not sure if you can help in the ID of the token but I thought I would try seeing how I have searched high and low already with no luck. Any help would be appreciated. I am attaching 2 pictures for review.

Regards,

—Joseph Giacomo

Well, Joseph, I don't know. But if you'd like I can run the photos in the next issue of The California Numismatist, along with your letter; and we'll see if any of our knowledgeable readers have any info for you on this piece.

Regards,

—Greg

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Departed Friends...



Bob Vick

June 6, 1934 - August 6, 2006

Bob, a long-time member and past-president of the Glendale Coin Club, passed away peacefully in his home in Burbank. Survived by his mother, Beatrice C. Young; his beloved children, Timothy (Julie), Ronald, Thomas (Susan), and Susan (Brent) Van Dorslen; his grandchildren, Justin, Dan, Zach, Cole and Chuck; and his great grandchild, Tyler. Preceded by his wife, Rae Ellen.



Bob dedicated the rest of his life to raising his children.

Bob will be remembered for his passion for life, quick wit and irrepressible smile. A career salesman and entrepreneur, Bob found success at most everything he did. His passions included golf, fishing, and hunting. And there was always a civic or social club that needed someone just like him!

All his life Bob had successful careers in auto sales, HVAC, real estate and advertising. He was eternally social and civic minded, serving as president for the Jaycee's, Lake Region Hockey Assn., De Bell Men's Club, and Glendale Coin Club.

Services were held August 12th at De Bell Golf Course; the interment at Resurrection Cemetery, Mendota Heights, MN. Memorials to American Cancer Society @Tim Vick, 10519 Point Pleasant Rd., Chisago City, MN 55013.

C. Max Wedertz

December 17, 1915 - July 1, 2006

Getting ready for a meeting with a few numismatic friends, Max Wedertz, feeling chest pains, went to the hospital and expired of a heart attack a few hours later.

Active for over 50 years with the Bay Cities Coin Club, president for two, and treasurer for six, Max also enjoyed 40 years of membership in the now defunct Society of International Numismatists (SIN). Working tirelessly on SIN displays, conventions, and working behind the scenes, Max also shepherded the SIN library when it moved to Santa Monica, and later helped move it to the Getty when that institution took it over in 1993.

Born in Keokuk, Iowa, Max moved in the 1940's to California and earned an engineering degree, then went to work at Douglas Aircraft in Santa Monica in 1947, staying for 27 years designing and fabricating Douglas missiles such as the Nike, Hercules, and Zeus.

Married to Mary Lee Faria in 1944, and taking care of her until her passing in 2000, Max is survived by his daughter, Summer (Linda) and two granddaughters, Lia and Amine.

Donations in his name may be made to CSNA Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 2449, Seal Beach, CA 90740, or MONA Foundation, 13922 64th Place West, Edmonds, WA 98026 (supports grass roots education initiative globally.)

There was a memorial at Max's home in Santa Monica on August 5, 2006.



Peter Meyer

June 4, 1932 - August 20, 2006

Peter Meyer, past-president of both the Garden Grove and Orange County coin clubs, was born in Germany, moved to the United States when he was 19, and passed away in Garden Grove, CA.

Peter joined the Garden Grove Coin Club in 1959 and remained an active member of Orange County clubs until his final months. He made and retained many friends over the decades of his dedication to the hobby. He retired as produce manager for a major grocery chain, but it was in residential real estate that he was most successful, owning over twenty homes.

He enjoyed mixing numismatics with his love of travel, whether it was going to the first Hong Kong Coin Show, numerous other Asian coin shows, back to his homeland of Germany, or elsewhere in the world. Among his other pleasures were his church, pets, and driving his large Cadillacs. He will be greatly missed by the hobby and his friends.

Many local numismatic leaders and collectors attended the services at Melrose Abbey Mortuary in Anaheim on Sept. 31, 2006.

Around the State...

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Stan's Statement: What's up? How is your collecting progressing? Sad news to report: two Northern California coin clubs are without an editor and a newsletter/bulletin: the Cupertino Coin Club and the Gateway (Merced) Coin Club. Not good. To the rest: keep those newsletters/bulletins coming! Remember, have fun with your hobby! Always serve others! Enjoy your collecting!

Club Reports...

WHITTIER COIN CLUB The club had a picnic at a local park in May. There were games and food for all. We spread out over six tables for items ranging from honey baked ham, chicken, apple pie, German strudel, and cookies. There were 12 adult members, 4 junior members, 2 adult visitors and 2 junior visitors. It was a fun time for all. **Walter Ostromecki** gave our feature presentation in June accompanied with medallions and artwork depicting *First Ladies*. July was a talk and slide show by **Ken Baumheckel** titled *Medieval Coins*. Ken showed a recurring theme of Christ, or a cross or various saints, kings, or local famous figures holding a book on all of these coins. In August we will self-entertain with an expanded show and tell titled *Other Collections*.

VISALIA COIN CLUB writes that its July meeting witnessed **Dennis Olswang** speaking on *Susan B. Anthony Dollars* and that **Phil Plettner** would succeed as the club's new vice president, while **President Bill Terry** enjoyed his "vacation in Las Vegas." And that is acceptable!

VERDUGO HILLS COIN CLUB we had an expanded *Show & Tell* in June. We held our annual club dinner at La Cabanita Restaurant in North Glendale on July 21. It was attended by 19 members and their guests. Also in July we had a PowerPoint presentation by member **Leon Worden** on *Santa Clarita Valley Exonumia*. **Al Hoogeveen** gave his program *A Lewis & Clark Bicentennial* at the August meeting.

VALLEJO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY announces that its 2007 Thirty-Fifth Annual Vallejo Coin and Collectibles Show has been set for May 6, 2007, again

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at Vallejo Elks Lodge in east Vallejo. **Harry W. Davis** continues as the bourse coordinator, and a full-day of an All Gold Coin Drawing, Youth table, error table, three collector meetings, exhibits, and free hobby literature have been planned. Also, the society continues to gather at Momo's American Cuisine, in east Vallejo, with a 5:30 p.m. no-host dinner and 6:30 p.m. meeting. Finally, the VNS again joins its neighbor, the Fairfield Coin Club, for their Twentieth Annual Joint Christmas Party, on December 9, returning to Anheuser-Busch Brewery, in Fairfield. **Joel T. Edler**, of *Numismatic News*, will be the master of ceremonies.

STANISLAUS COUNTY COIN CLUB Its last *Gold Strike* reported that **Corresponding Secretary Dolly Sauls**, due to personal demands, would be unable to continue as its editor. Several congratulations were expressed to SCCC members: **Aaron Brown**, **David Rameczyk**, **Joshua Hall**, **Juan Albara**, and **Lloyd Solomon**. Aaron Brown specifically graduated with a BA degree in history from Stanislaus State University and "received a beautiful slab Saint Gaudens as a graduation gift from his parents."

SOLANO SILVER ROUND CLUB The SSRC plans to gather during the September 24 Fairfield Coin and Collectibles Show, on the stage of the main Willow Room, downtown at the Fairfield Community Center. The club's quarterly drawing is being held at this gathering with eighteen silver round prizes.

SANTA ANA COIN CLUB showed a video tape *Making Ancient Collecting Fun* in May. **Al Hoogeveen** gave his program on *Lewis & Clark* in June. A video, *Creation of the 1989 Pittsburgh ANA Medal*, was shown in July.

SAN FRANCISCO COIN CLUB selected its **Treasurer Michael S. Turrini's** design for the club's planned 2006 medal commemorating the 1906 San Francisco earthquake and fire centennial. At the June meeting, **John Russell** returned with his *Coin Grading Clinic*, and being the "Spare-The-Air Day" with public transportation free, long-time member and **Past President Michael M. Stanley** rode BART and the MUNI free, from one hundred degree-plus heat in Concord, to overcast clouds and sixty degrees cold in the Sunset District of San Francisco;

he arrived dressed for heat only to sit freezing waiting for the club's meeting room to open! Well, so goes California weather!

SAN DIEGO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY Editor **Jim Wells** has been putting together some powerful PowerPoint presentations. In July the topic was all about the San Diego and San Francisco Expos. He named it the *Duel of the Expos* and contrasted the two events ending with what is still in place. We felt that San Diego won because we still have buildings in Balboa Park and it was the beginning of the world famous San Diego Zoo. Because our meeting for July was on the 4th we cancelled as our meeting place was closed. **Kay Edgerton Lenker** showed slides of her *Story Of The Silver Dollar* in August. Several members plan to attend the ANA's World's Fair of Money in Denver and Member Appreciation Day in Colorado Springs, so that will be our program in September.

SACRAMENTO VALLEY COIN CLUB Next year is this club's Golden Jubilee Fiftieth Anniversary, and **Secretary Stan Klagenberg** was designated the club's historian "to get some information on the club's history for the 2007 anniversary." **Jeff Shevlin** reported that the SVCC shall not be hosting the 2007 ANA National Money Show, but has been asked to host in 2011.

REDWOOD EMPIRE COIN CLUB The August RECC newsletter provided history about the club's various meeting places since its founding in 1949: Healdsburg, California Bank of America branch, The Occidental Hotel, Odd Fellows Temple, Benton Street Fire Station, Grace Brothers Brewery, Orchard Park Community Center Club House, and Coddington Center. Presently, the club gathers in the dinner room at the Santa Rosa Veterans Memorial Auditorium. Over 90 members and visitors attended the July Annual Barbeque Steak Dinner Night. Among the *Show 'n Tells* was the 1964 Democratic National Convention badge, as governor, for the late George Wallace of Alabama, shown by **Frank Villalon**. Now that is history in your hands!

PENINSULA COIN CLUB heard **Michael S. Turrini** at its June meeting with a slide-illustrated program of the *October 1985 State of Liberty Commemorative Coinage First Strike Ceremony at the San Francisco Mint*: "two of our current members were shown during the ceremony and many then-notable numismatists were also in attendance." The club's July meeting was held on the steps of the Palo Alto Elks Lodge, as someone forgot the key and access. But, those present had a great time!

PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY On June 24 PCNS gathered at the Golden Mirror Restaurant in the Sunset District of San Francisco and held its annual banquet. A record attendance included these PCNS past presidents: **Lori Reppeteau, Herbert Miles, Stephen M. Huston, Gordon R. Donnell, Richard Webster, Frank Strazzarino, and Larry Reppeteau**. At this same banquet, the 2006 PCNS Papers Contest winners were announced: Stephen M.

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Huston, *Comtermarked Coins*, first place; **Dr. Michael F. Wehner**, *Denman Grammer School Medals* and **Elliot M. Wehner**, *National Bank Notes*, tied for second place; with honorable mentions to **Richard Webster** and **Michael Hollingshead**.

NORTHROP GRUMMAN COIN CLUB **Walt Wegner** gave a coin grading clinic with the set of US coins that **Phil Iversen** put together. Phil was unable to attend because of the illness of his mother. In June **Al Hoogeveen** spoke on *Lewis and Clark—the Westward Journey*. Phil Iversen gave the story of *The Statue of Liberty* in July. August will be the viewing of the ANA video *Secrets of the Denver Archives*.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION The Nor-Cal VII Coin Show is set for 2007: March 31 and April 1, Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., returning to the Fremont Elks Lodge #2121, 38911 Farwell Drive, off Mowry, in Fremont. **Vince Lacariere** is again the bourse coordinator, and he may be contacted at coinvince@aol.com. The 2007 Nor-Cal Show will emphasize a quality bourse and two-day youth events. Congratulations are in order to **Denis N. Hooker**, the association's founder and twice its president, on his selection as the NCNA's coveted Miller Medal recipient for 2006.

LONG BEACH COIN CLUB The meeting in June featured **Gerry Kleeb** on die state, over-date, brockage, and other errors on modern foreign coins. He used slides to illustrate imperfections that can happen to a planchet during the minting process. In July Jerry displayed his collection of counterfeits that were designed to circulate as money, currency and simultaneously fool collectors. Winners of the Display Case Event at the June 1-3 Long Beach Expo were: **Andrew Woodruff**, **Mike Ontka**, and **Jerry Kleeb**. *Show And Tell* will be the topic for August.

LIVERMORE VALLEY COIN CLUB The LNS' June meeting was the club's newly established Summer Potluck, and it "was a little bizarre. There were some that did not read the newsletter and some that did, but forgot, and there were

those that were prepared for the potluck. And of those that came prepared, hungry and with food, most were from the second half of the alphabet, so we were a little heavy on desserts.” Folks, the lesson here: read and remember your news-letter! However, there were winners in the various drawings: **Alan Douglass**, *On-Time*; **Ken Barr**, *Numismania*; **Roger Nerten**, top prize in the drawing; and it was also “the Summer ‘winner-need-not-be-present’ Gold Drawing and that went to **Larry Callahan**, who was ‘non-present!’”

LIBERTY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY Sad news: **Alfred H. Fraumeni**, the society’s third oldest active member, passed away July 23. He was the society’s club historian and served as a director at the time of passing. Al was an expert on Mexican coinage. Another bad note: **Stu Denton**, the society’s oldest active member, was involved in an auto accident that will require four to six weeks of recuperation to get him back to full fighting condition. On a positive note, in June **Michael S. Turrini** made his annual talk before the LNS and during the meeting presented his final three Carmody-Lebo citations onto: **Edgar D. Fulwider**, **Robert G. Piper**, and **James W. Rosen**. Nominated by **Gene Hoy**, these three have been mainstays in the LNS for decades.

INTERNATIONAL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY OF SAN DIEGO The program in May was dedicated to *China and the Far East*. **Ken Aring** provided us with a talk and slide show. June was *Mexico* with Ken again providing slides. Ken has an extensive slide library that he has assembled by taking photographs of his own and friends’ coins.

HEMET COIN CLUB had *Other Hobbies* as the theme for June. We are having short *Back to Basics* talks at the meetings. July featured **Angus Bruce** on storing and protecting coins. August will feature **Ron Morrow** on tips for buying coins followed by an intensive program on grading coins. **Bill Grant** will give a presentation in September and describe the difference between conserving coins and cleaning coins. Our last *Back to Basics* program will be in November with Angus Bruce reviewing how to sell coins.

HEARTLAND COIN CLUB has been having extended *Show And Tell* programs with members bringing in new acquisitions or long-held treasures. We always have a spirited auction.

GREATER ORANGE COUNTY COIN CLUB **Mike Ontko** had a *Coin Jeopardy Quiz* in May. In June **Ken Baumheckel** showed slides of *Coins Of The Middle Ages*. In July we had a coin bourse with tables going for \$8. **Mark Baskin** told us of *The Joys Of Token Collecting*.

GLENDALE COIN CLUB In May **Mark Watson** spoke on the dollar bill. He talked about the three-step process and the Federal Reserve banks. New officers were installed in July with **President Mary Yahalom**, **VP Greg Burns**, **Trea-**

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surer Denise Ballard, Assistant Treasurer Kim Klein, and Secretary Chelsea Skinner.

FRESNO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY Congratulations twice: the FNS celebrates its Sixtieth Anniversary, 1946-2006, this October, and junior member, **Wesley Paols**, and his design of the famous Fresno landmark, the Water Tower, was voted for the society's commemorative medal. **Randy Clifton**, the long-serving *Fresno Numismatist* editor, always has some tid-bit of knowledge. In the August issue he had a real trivial fact: "Do you know how gold, the element itself, is created? Through the death of stars, the kinds like the sun, not from Hollywood, through supernovas to be exact." Now, we have the marriage of numismatics with astronomy, folks!

FREMONT COIN CLUB Its monthly newsletter, *The Double Eagle*, and editor, **Matt Hutchison** has added a special feature, "In the Lupe", which are fun biographies of various club members. Matt has created a simple format for members to respond with short replies that can be compiled into a readable and enjoyable format. **Michael S. Turrini** provided the program at the club's July meeting which was a slide-illustrated remembrance of a *October 1985 First-Strike Ceremony at the San Francisco Mint*, and he, along with many others, returned to the following July meeting for the club's Annual Barbecue, with the famous cook, **Roger Lyles**. Even earlier, back in June, the club's meeting was an ice cream social with the scooper being **Chuck Call**.

FAIRFIELD COIN CLUB Its Seventeenth Fairfield Coin and Collectibles Show, held September 24, might be history when this issue of TCN is delivered. Much of its success can be credited to **Robert F. Tedder**, who triples with the bourse, general, and publicity duties. During this show, your assistant editor with **Lee Gong** staffed their famous error table. The FCC has a new e-mail address: FCC-info@hughes.net. The FCC joined its neighbor, the Vallejo Numismatic Society on July 8 for their Third Annual Joe Sirois Fly-In at the Napa County Airport, which is the only coin club picnic here in Northern California without ants or noisy crowds.

DOWNEY COIN CLUB April program was an *Expanded Show and Tell* with members bringing in a recently acquired item or an item that might seem interesting to the membership. May was spent learning more about how to differentiate between genuine, counterfeit and altered. A video in June was all about making the collecting of ancient coins fun. We had fun and games in July with four regular games of *Coin-O* where winners received an Eisenhower silver dollar. There was one blackout game with the winner getting a two-peso Mexican gold piece.

DIABLO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY Your assistant editor is committed to providing a live combination youth and information table during the October 15 expanded two-day Contra Costa Coin Show. Details about all of the coin shows should be listed elsewhere in this TCN. Wow! The DNS has scheduled its Annual Christmas Party for December 10, avoiding conflicts, and by now, that party's dinner might be sold out! Earlier, **Michael** and **Nancy-Jo Stanley** hosted the society's Annual Picnic at their home in Concord, California. Although hot, so typical of the summer California weather, the Stanley's again proved generous and gracious hosts to the record crowd. Readers might inquire with **John Russell** why he was declared and made a "Universal Numismatist" at this picnic.

DELTA COIN CLUB again held its Annual Picnic on July 30 at Micki's Grove in Lodi. The annual "Pennies in the Jar" guessing game was won by **Sharon Carman** with a guess of 764 (the correct answer being 760.) She won both the jar plus its contents. Helping at the barbecue were **Dale Olson**, **Syd Kass**, and **Tony Rantz**, with **Loris Enzminger** as the official seasoner. The annual Egg-Toss got down to a family affair with **John** and **Jason Leuenberger** winning over second place **Doug Wright** and **Jaci Leuenberger**. Sad news: **Barry M. Saiki** (1919-2006) passed away recently; a staunch supporter in the club he is remembered for making Japanese origami handiwork for anyone present. **Michael S. Turrini** has scheduled October 21 to man a combination youth and information table at the club's show.

CULVER CITY COIN CLUB **Wilfred Gamble** has been obtaining videos from ANA for the meetings each month. In May he showed the US Mint's video *Minting Process for Gold Coins*. The club is trying to streamline the meetings so that they are completed by 8:45. One of the ways is the conduct of the auction to save time. Members offering auction material will set the material up on a display table. Bidders will then review the material on the display table and physically move the items that they wish to bid on to a second table, the "bid table." Only items on the bid table will be auctioned, items remaining on the display table will not. In July we had a video about *Ancient Coins*. Monthly meeting will alternate between *Coin Trivia* and a video program.

COVINA COIN CLUB—**NASC President Gary Beedon** gave an interesting talk on *A Touch of Egypt* in February. Gary and **Mary Beedon** have traveled

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and studied the monies of Egypt and also Turkey. **Dr. Tom Fitzgerald** spoke on *The Presidential Dollars* in March. The club had another successful show in April and is planning for 2007. We had an expanded *Show and Tell* at the regular meeting. At our awards banquet, **Don Foster**, past NASC president, awarded **Mo Fitzgerald** a special 2005 Member of the Year award for continuous services to the hobby. *Buy, Sell and Trade* at the June Meeting was a huge success. Many of our members brought items to sell or trade and of course, there were plenty of our members willing to see what was available to buy.

COINEERS COIN CLUB May's program featured *Show and Tell*. Members were invited to bring in an interesting item from their collections. **Tony Lai-uppa** spoke on *The Tertiary Gravels of the Sierra Nevada Mountains*. This was about mining for precious metals. He gave the second part of the story in July and told us where the gold is and how to get it. Featured speaker for August is **Ken Spindler** on *Cool Copper Coins*. In recent months the club added five new members.

CALIFORNIA EXONUMIST SOCIETY **Michael S. Turrini**, its current combination president and editor for its quarterly, *The Medallion*, has created a special award, the framed and mounted President's Citation of Commendation, and several TCN readers have been honored this calendar year: **James W. Hunt**, **Virginia L. Bourke**, **Joel and Lila Anderson**, **O.L Wallis** (a prior editor and president for CES), **Donald and Terry Foster**, **William J. Grant**, **G. Lee** and **Joyce Kuntz**, and **Catherine Edgerton Lenker**. Information about CES or requests for a complimentary copy of its *Medallion* may be had by contact at PO Box 4104, Vallejo, California, 94590-0410 or by e-mail at EMPERORI@juno.com.

BAY CITIES COIN CLUB In July the program was *Commemorating Our Liberty and Freedom*. Members were asked to bring in colonial coins or currency, also modern coins that depicted those subjects. The bulletin contained an article by **Phil Iverson** entitled *Proud of Our Liberty*, all about the statue. August bul-

letin announced the passing of **Max Werdertz** with the story of his numismatic activities including SIN treasurer for over 40 years.

ANCIENT COIN CLUB OF L.A. In May **Ken Friedman** gave a lecture with slides on *Another Boring Boga*. June was dedicated to *Ancient Fathers*. July's speaker was **Bob Effler** on *Roman Coinage Of Syria And First Century Client Kingdoms*. We will have **David Sear** speak of *Experiences In My Career In Ancient Numismatics*.

ALAMEDA COIN CLUB'S monthly *Thick And Thin Times* editor, **Bob Sturn**, gave a great summary for *Show 'n Tells* in the August issue: "Let us know what's going on with your and our hobby." What better explanation to bring a *Show 'n Tell*! At the club's July meeting, these members responded to that call: **Don Barsi, Alan Douglass, Chuck Call, Bette Barr, Cliff Sherman, Lyle Okamoto, Tom Gesner, and Bob Sturn**. That was over double the participants from the prior meeting! Last June 18 was the club's show, another successful venture, with particular appreciation expressed "especially [for] **Stan Turrini** and **Gordon Donnell** for manning the popular young people's table. We also want to thank **Wendy Barsi** for working the front registration table, and once again she did another great job selling the show's drawing tickets."

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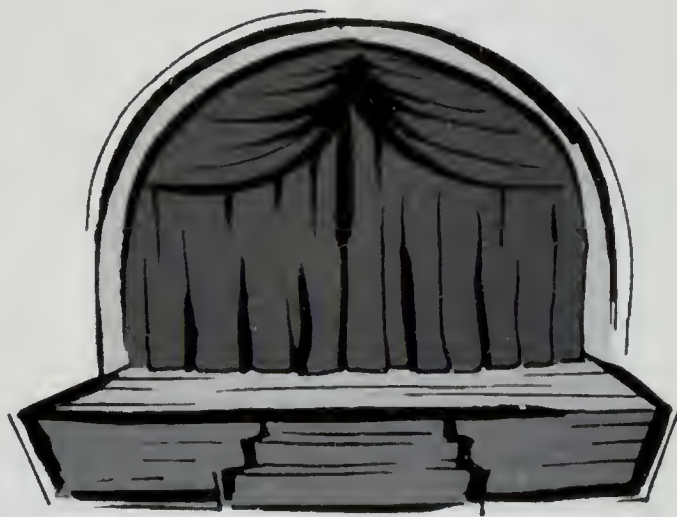
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- Bay Cities Coin Club**—meets 1st Saturday, 1:00 p.m., meetings held at members homes; mailing address: P.O. Box 943, Santa Monica, CA 90406. (NASC, CSNA)
- Brentwood Coin Club**—meets 1st Thursday, 7:00 p.m., Raley's Food Center (staff room by the Pharmacy), 2400 Sand Creek Rd., Brentwood; mailing address: P.O. Box 1237, Brentwood, CA 94513; e-mail: Collectors@CoinClub.cc. (CSNA)
- California Exonumist Society**—meets quarterly at Golden State Coin Show, CSNA Conventions and at an all-day show in June or July; mailing address: Kay Edgerton Lenker, P.O. Box 6909, San Diego, CA 92166. (NASC, CSNA)
- California State Numismatic Association**—meets twice a year during CSNA conventions at various locations; mailing address: Dennis Halladay, 20567 Nathan Dr., Riverside, CA 92508; e-mail: westdairy2@aol.com; Web site: www.caleoin.org. (NASC, CSNA)
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- October 22 **Coin, Collectibles, & Paper Money Show** (Van Nuys), Van Nuys Masonic Hall, 14750 Sherman Way, Fred Silver, (818) 788-0954.
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Numismatic Nostalgia



Fifty Years Ago

- In *Calcoin News*, Ida Mae Griffin of the Long Beach Coin Club reported that over the preceding two and a half years she had pulled from circulation ten 1909S VDB cents, nine 1914D cents, an Isabella quarter, and two complete sets of buffalo nickels in VF or better condition. Ida worked at the local newspaper where she worked the “Standard Johnson coin machine” sorting and counting large quantities of coins, and as much as \$300 in cents in one day alone.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

- *The NASC Quarterly* carried a short article by “Corky” Ayers. Titled “Circus Script”, it showed examples of the Ringling Brothers script from their 50th anniversary in 1933. It reminded me of the very complete discourse on circus material from the last Northern Educational Symposium in Vallejo given by Phil Iversen.
- Seems we’ve followed a tradition. *Calcoin News* reported being awarded the ANA’s regional publication contest back in 1981, just like today. The same issue noted that the San Bernardino Coin Club’s *Coin Press* won the honors for best local publication.
- That same CSNA issue noted the origin of the name and relayed some history of the B&O Railroad. Seems the B&O stood for (Lord) Baltimore and Ohio, a railroad chartered in 1827 and attaining the remarkable measure of 14 miles of laid track by 1830. Seems they struck a 1927 centennial token.

Ten Years Ago

- The Northern California Numismatic Association celebrated their 35th anniversary with a medal designed by Jeff Shevlin. Rather a nice, strong, traditional design, don’t you think?
- As part of the “Breathing Greater Life into Coin Clubs” (a two-part article by Bill Fivaz and Walter Ostromecki) giving current clubs tips on ensuring their longevity, *The NASC Quarterly* listed an astounding 54 Southern California (and a few from elsewhere) coin clubs that had folded. The list concluded with, “May no additional coin clubs ever be added to this California listing!”





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